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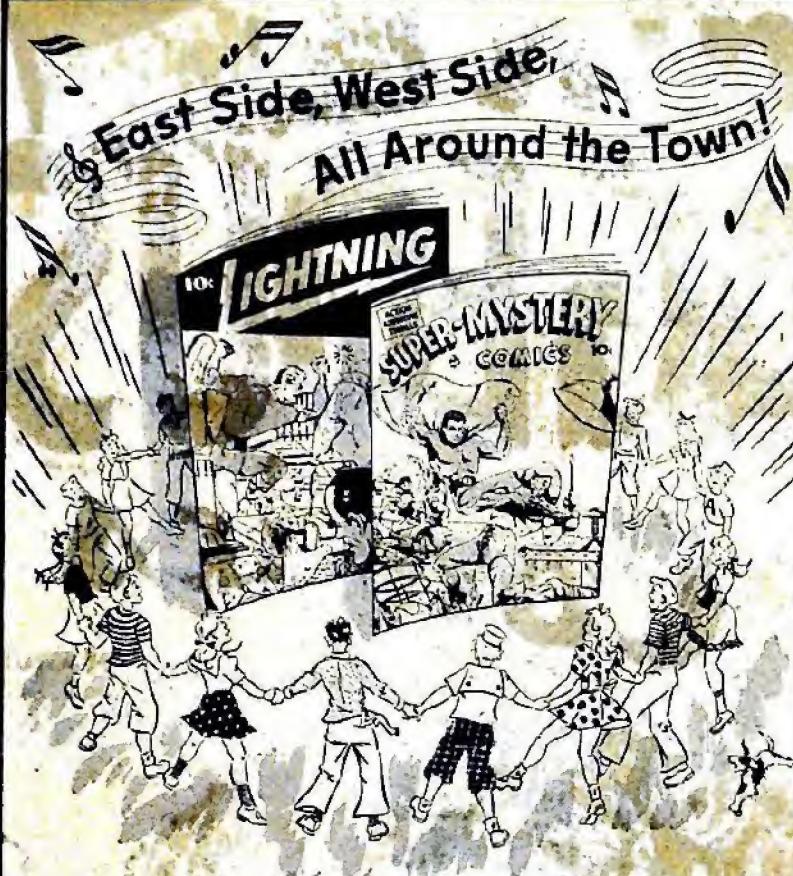
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Yes, sir! All around the town they're talking about the "all-out" fight Magno and Davey wage against that sinister, arch-criminal—The Cobra, in the February issue. It's really a knock-down and drag-out affair which will bring you out of your chairs cheering! And, of course, Vulcan, Buck-skin and the rest won't let you down, either. See for yourself!

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CAPTAIN COURAGEOUS

The Black Mayor held the town in his vile clutches and was bleeding it to death. And then Captain Courageous crossed his path—a path which must lead one to victory and the other to—DEATH!

THE SWORD

Here is a new feature which you are sure to like. It's different from anything you've seen and it has just the right amounts of all the qualities that make for a good story

LONE WARRIOR

For once the enemies of Lone Warrior have him where they want him—and do they try to rub it in!

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Again comes the flute to the rescue!

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A two-fisted, sure-shootin' yarn of the Old West

PAUL REVERE, JR.

Paul and Betsy and Pat must pool all their wits and a lot of bravado if they want to save their little British friend from murderous fiends

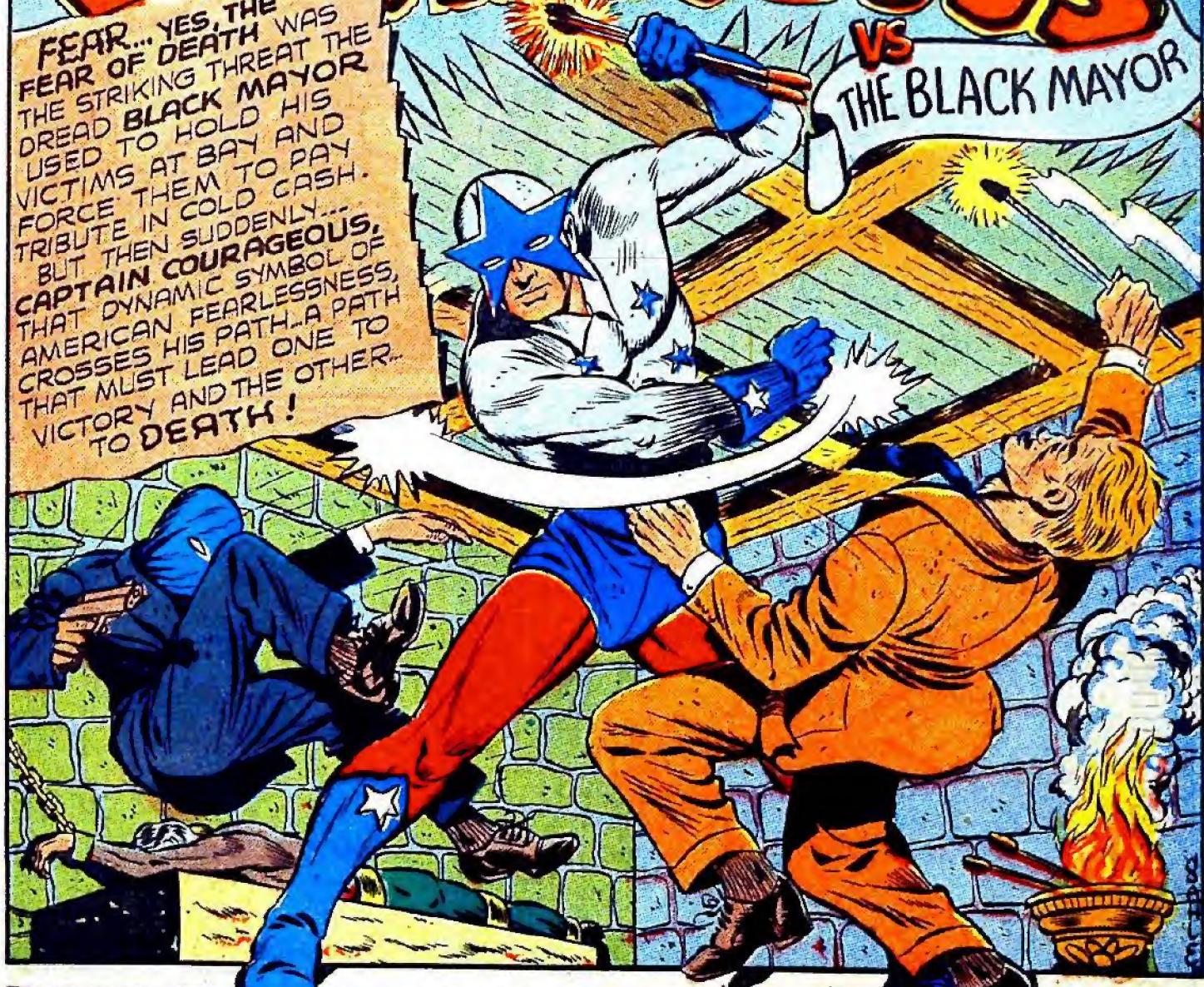
CAPT.

COURAGEOUS

FEAR... YES, THE
FEAR OF DEATH WAS
THE STRIKING THREAT THE
DREAD BLACK MAYOR
USED TO HOLD HIS
VICTIMS AT BAY AND
FORCE THEM TO PAY
TRIBUTE IN COLD CASH.
BUT THEN SUDDENLY...
CAPTAIN COURAGEOUS,
THAT DYNAMIC SYMBOL OF
AMERICAN FEARLESSNESS,
CROSSES HIS PATH--A PATH
THAT MUST LEAD ONE TO
VICTORY AND THE OTHER
TO DEATH!

VS

THE BLACK MAYOR



AS SENATOR VERNON HIGH PREPARES TO LEAVE HIS HOTEL ROOM...

AND THIS CHLOROFORM TOO, SENATOR!

THESE PAPERS ARE ALL THAT I'LL NEED!



AGHRR!



...THUS ENDETH THE CAREER OF SENATOR HIGH!



At the same time... at the apartment of Jay Collins, newspaper columnist.

She'll be comin' roun' th' mountain when she comes...

Or through the window!

Breathe deeply, chum!

Chloroform! Aghr!

But!

I thought you weren't the milkman when I spotted you out on the balcony!

Who said miracles don't happen?

Try my special brand of chloroform!

Oh-h!

Ugh!

Unconscious, eh? You'll stay put up here!

Aren't you Captain Courageous?

Right! And you're Jay Collins, columnist for the Examiner! I know columnists aren't liked by some people... but who'd want to drug you?

Can't say... I've so many friendly enemies!

Unless this bloke was sent by the Black Mayor!

The Black Mayor?

YES! HE'S CALLED THAT AND OPERATES A RING OF TERROR AGAINST THE GERMAN-AMERICANS IN THE CITY TO OBTAIN MONEY TO BE SENT BACK TO THE FATHERLAND'S WAR MACHINE. SENATOR HIGH, HERE IN THE CITY AND I HAVE SOME INCRIMINATING DATA WE COMPILED AGAINST HIM AND THE SENATOR IS THE ONLY ONE WHO REALLY KNOWS WHO THE BLACK MAYOR IS... BETTER QUESTION THIS GUY!

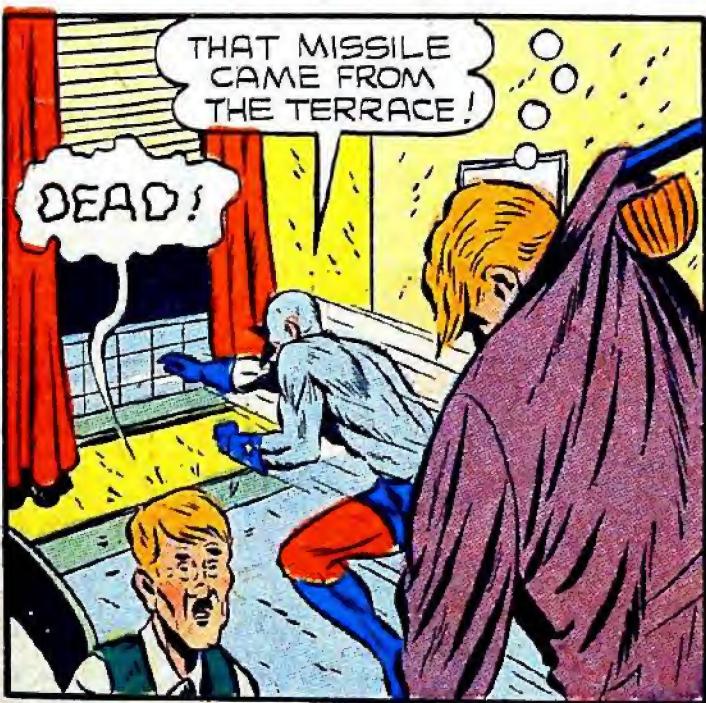
AH! COMING TO JUST IN TIME FOR THE QUIZ!

AGHR! A TRUCK HIT ME!

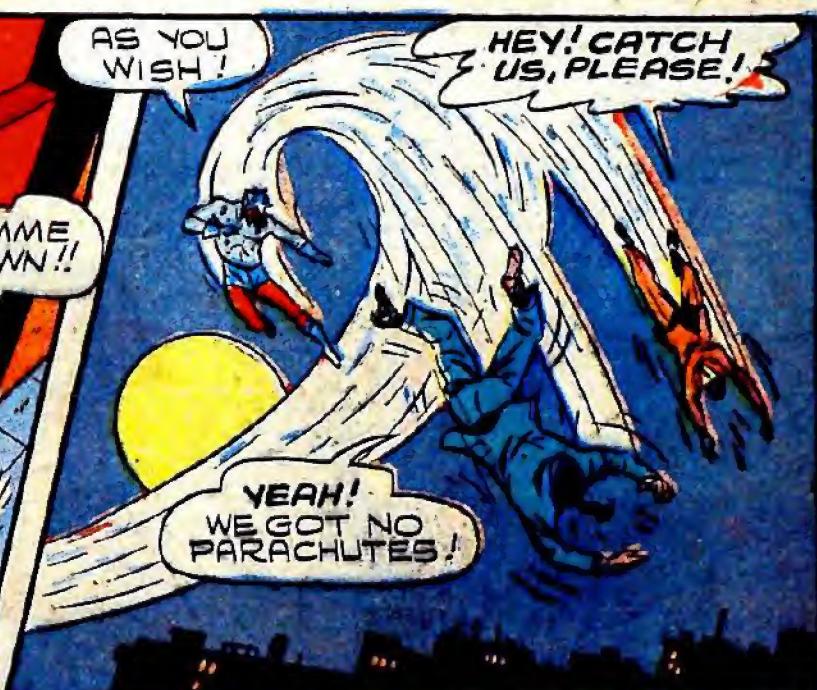
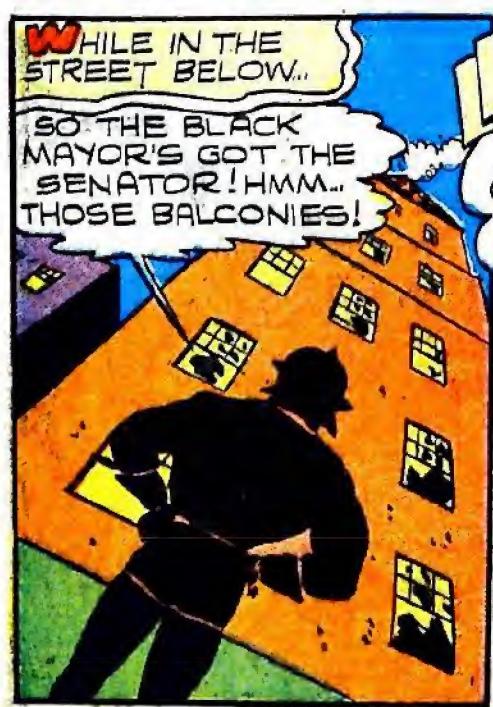
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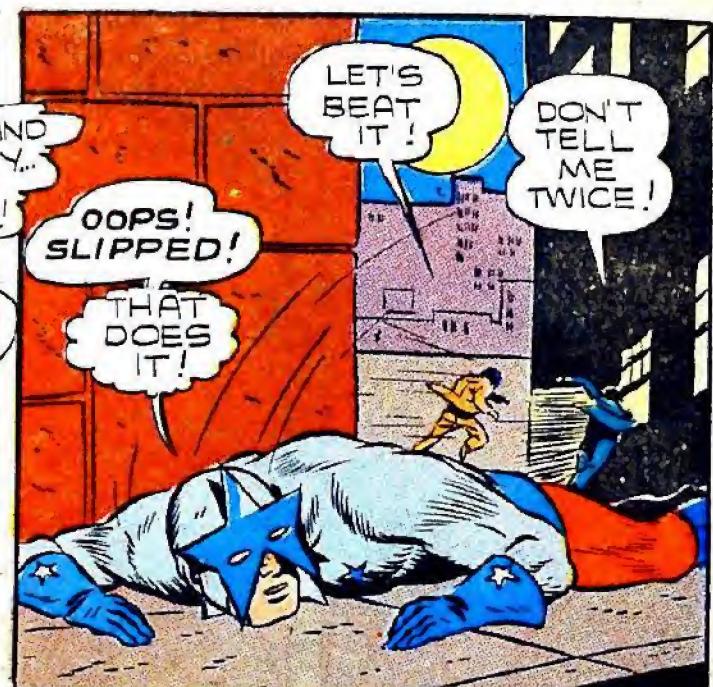
AIE E!







CAPTAIN COURAGEOUS CATCHES THEM AS THEY NEAR THE PAVEMENT...



THE MEN DODGE BACK INTO COLLINS' HOUSE... THE BACK WAY!



35 THE DAWN OF A NEW DAY BREAKS, THE UNBRIDLED FURY OF THE BLACK MAYOR IS UNLEASHED ON THE HAPLESS, AMERICA-LOVING PEOPLE SO HE MAY FILL HIS "BREAD-BASKET" FOR THE FATHERLAND!

MONEY! MONEY!
MONEY FOR THE FATHERLAND OR BLOOD!

THIS'LL TEACH YOU TO GIVE MORE!

SO, YOU WON'T SUPPORT THE BLACK MAYOR, EH?

NO! NO!
IT'S THE BABY'S MILK MONEY

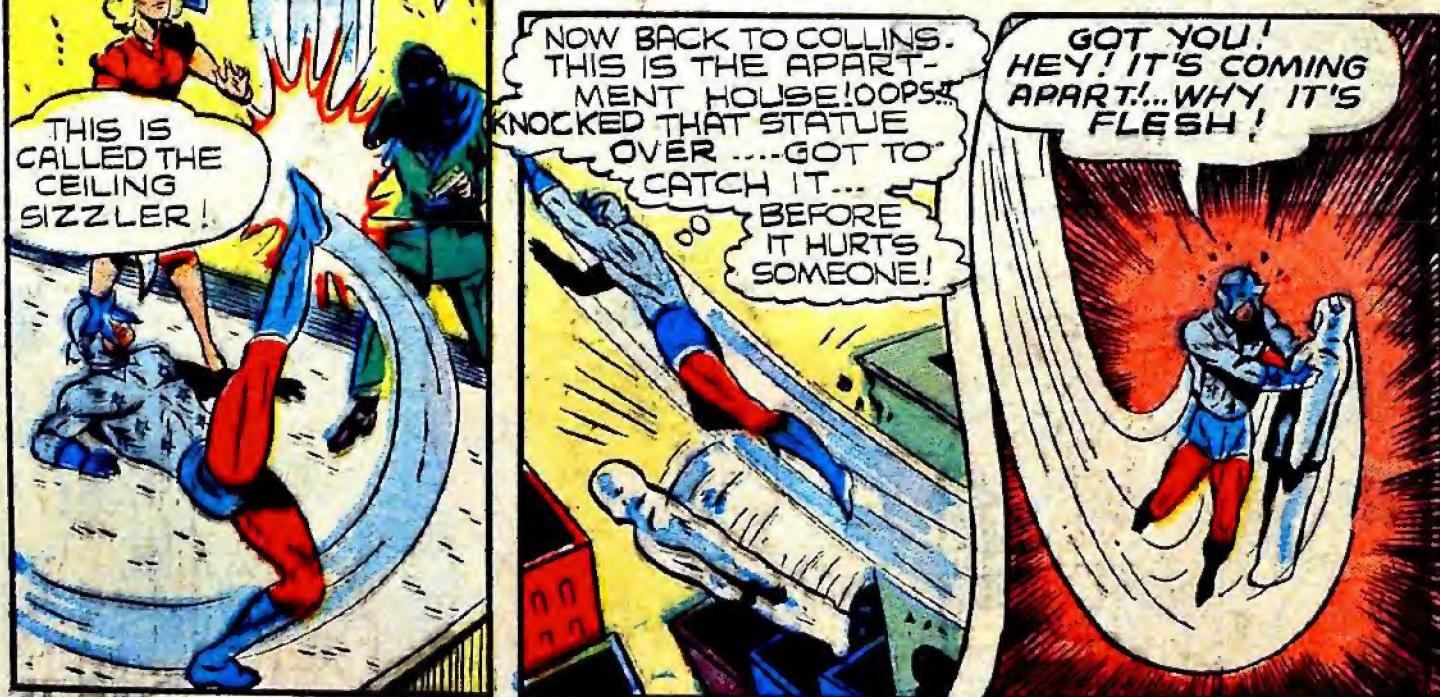
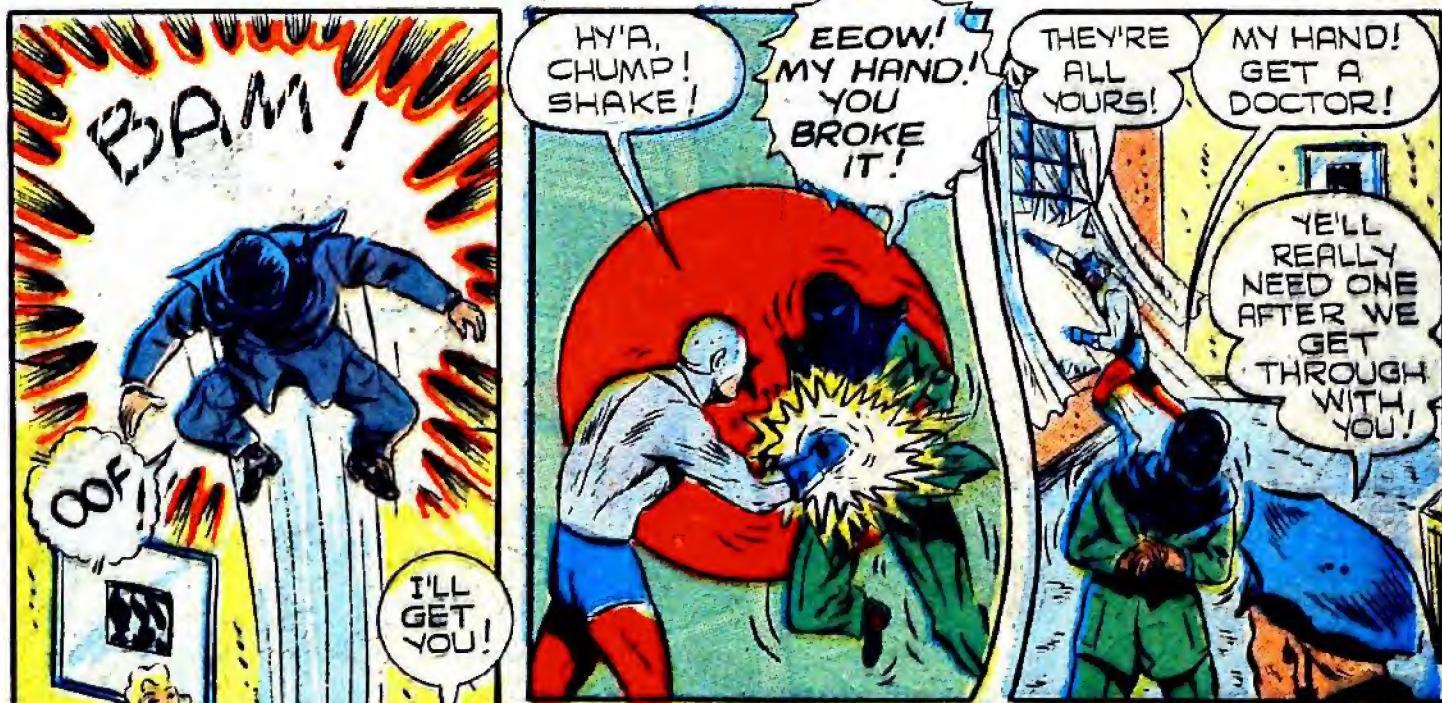
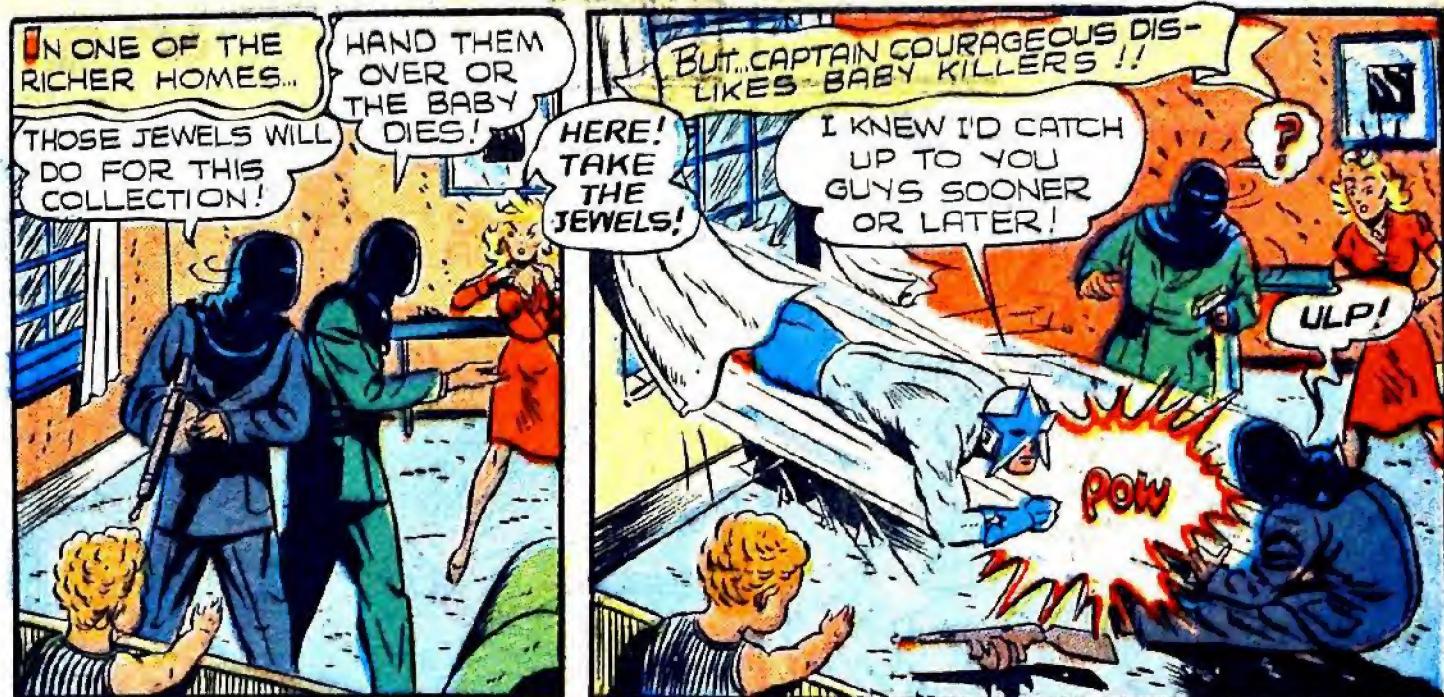
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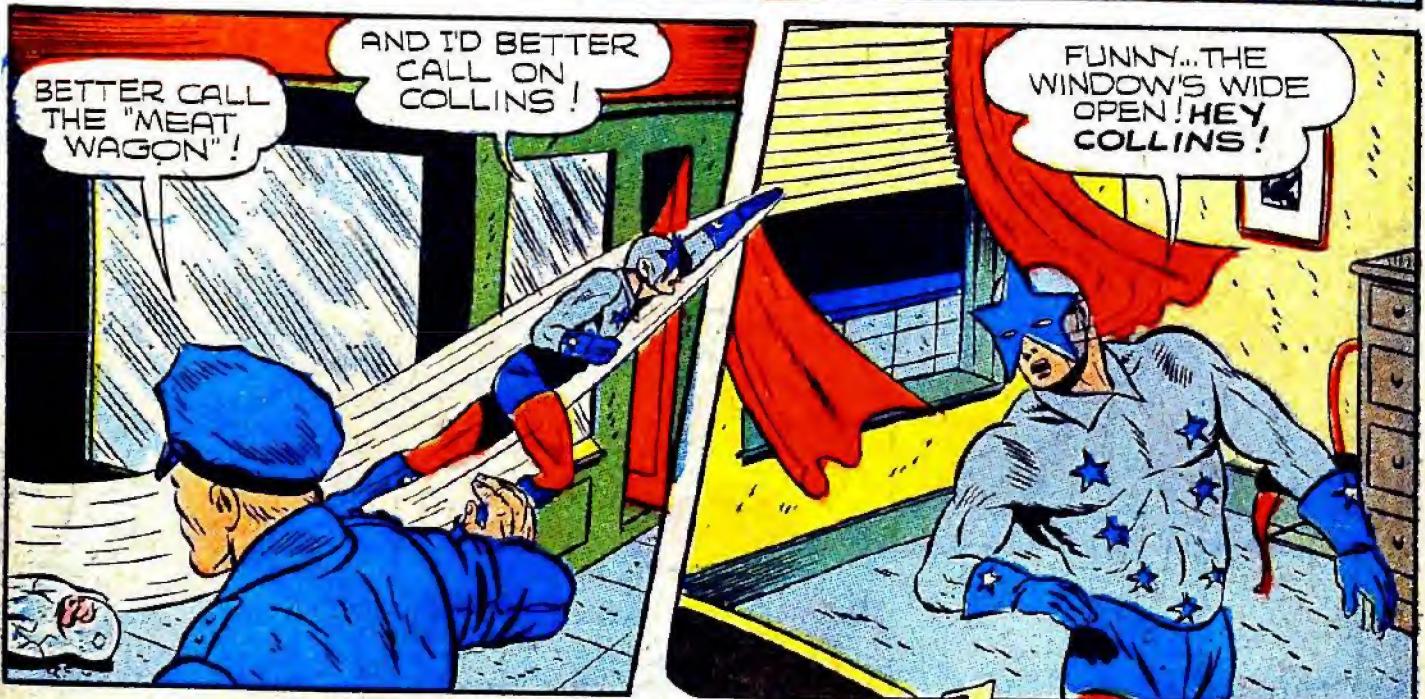
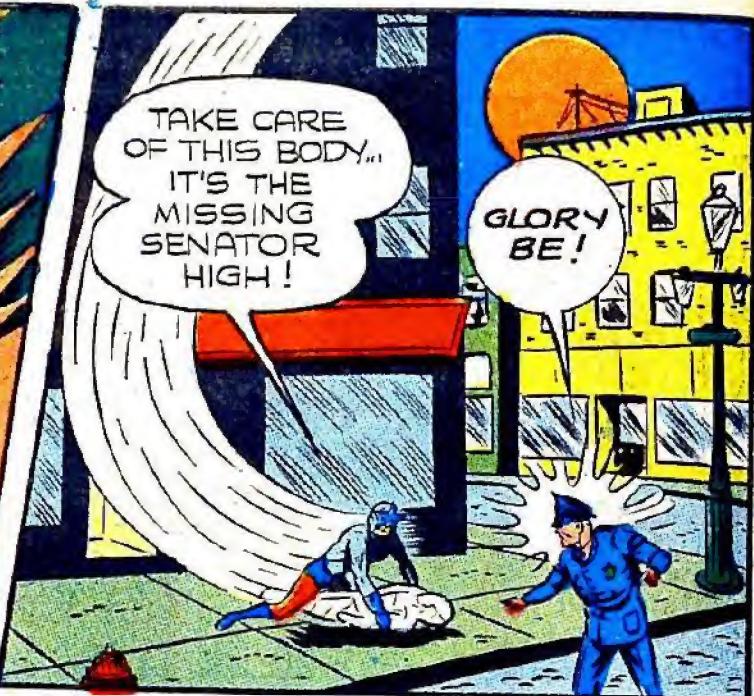
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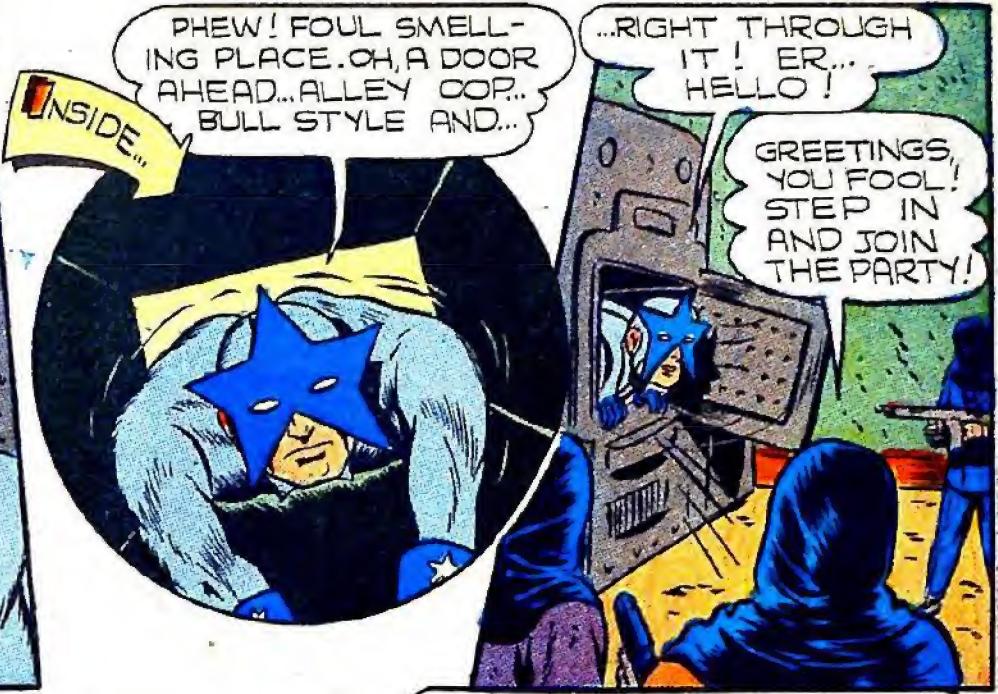


GIVE!

HERE'S THE ACCURSED MONEY!







ENTHRALLED AT THE GRUESOME SIGHT BEFORE THEM, THE TWO MEN GUARDING CAPTAIN COURAGEOUS TURN MOMENTARILY...

MAY I BORROW YOUR GUNS? I'LL GIVE THEM RIGHT BACK!

OUCH!

UGH!



ON THE CONTRARY, MR. COURAGEOUS... THE SHOW'S JUST STARTED!

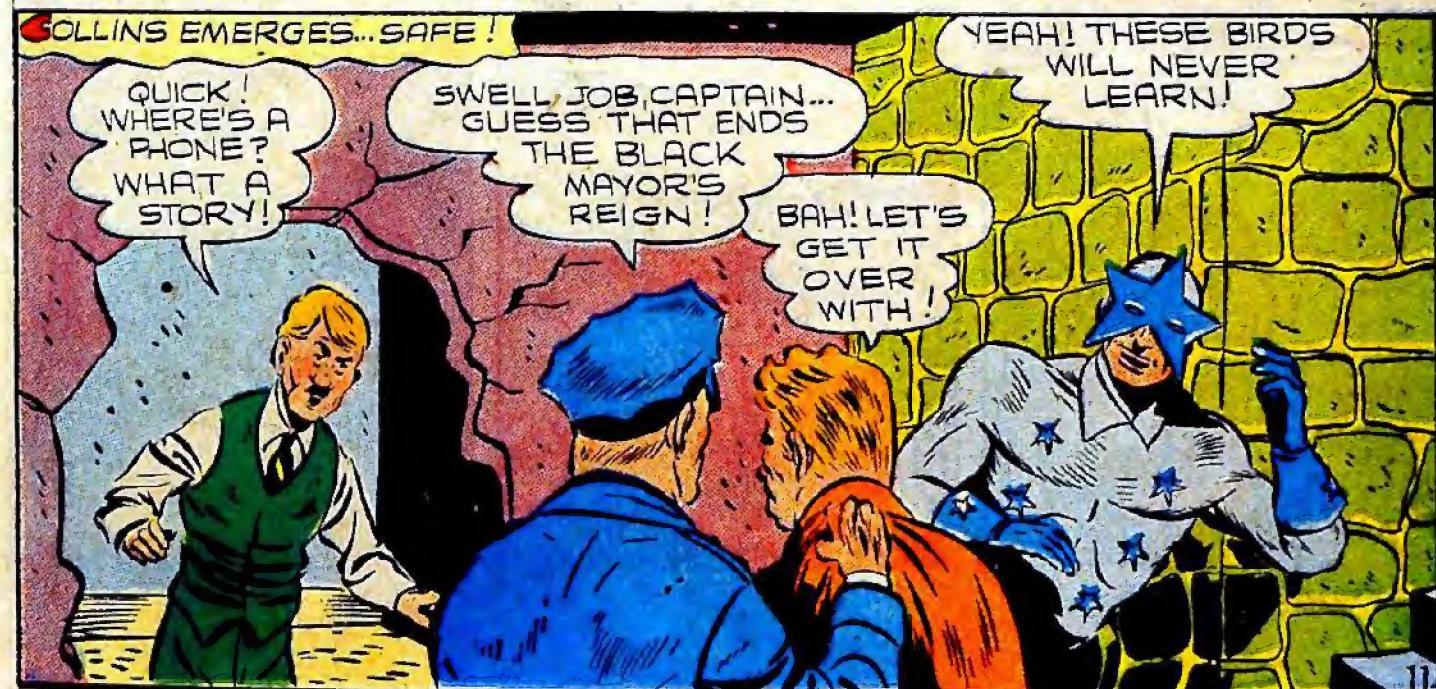
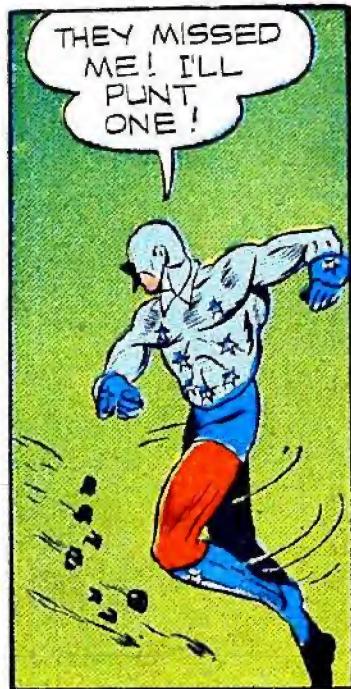
...AND I GIVE YOU THE LEADING PART! A HOT NUMBER... HERE, TAKE IT!

LIVE COALS!

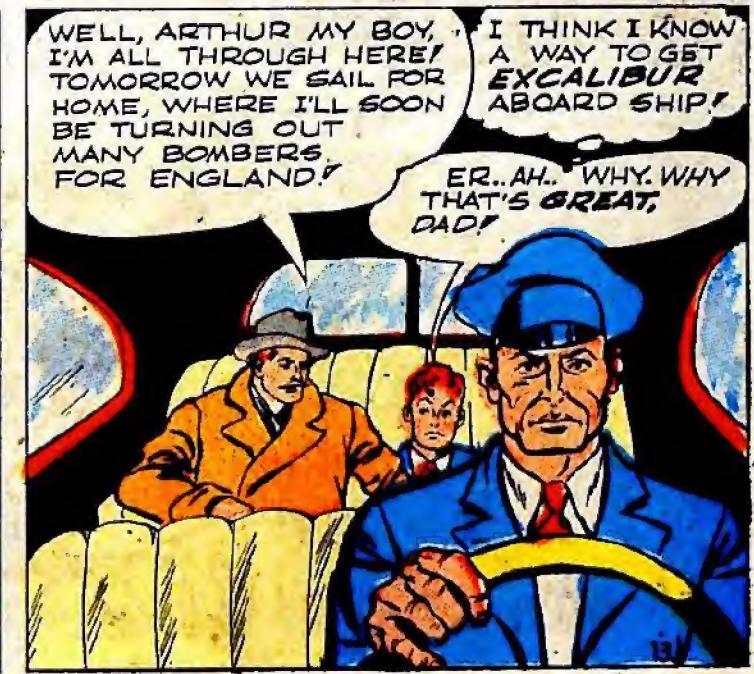
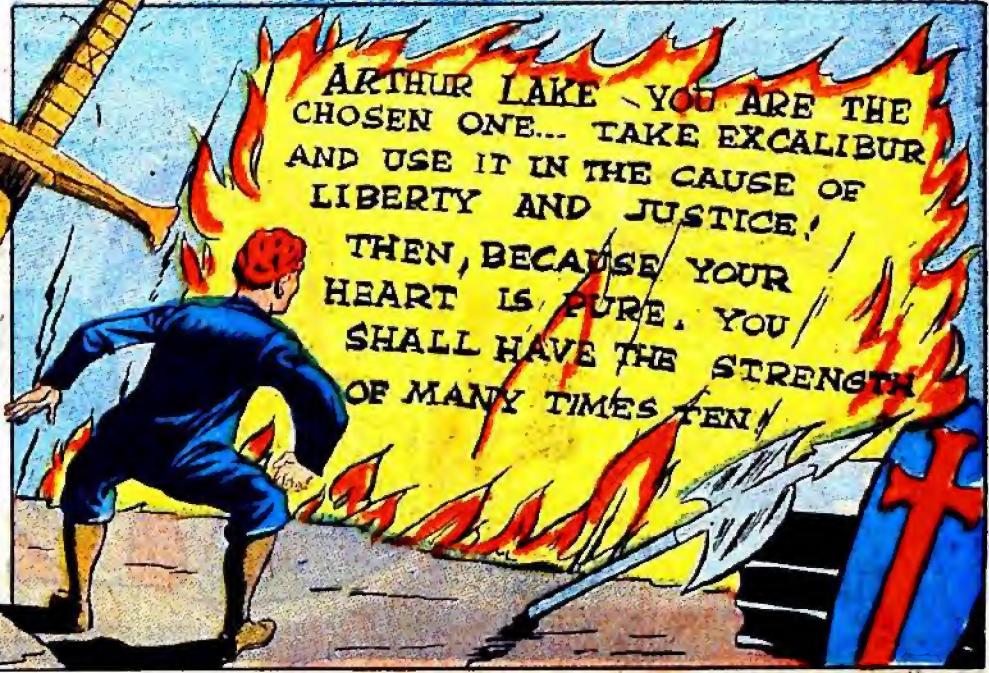
GORT DASHES TO THE DUMMY FURNACE, AND...

SO-LONG, SUCKERS! I'VE GOT A DATE WITH A STEAMER GOING TO SOUTH AMERICA!









THE NEXT DAY, ARTHUR HIRES TWO WORKMEN TO TRANSFER THE SWORD AND STONE TO THE SHIP.

NOW, REMEMBER, IF YOU SAY A WORD TO ANYONE, I'LL COME BACK AND HAUNT YOU!

YES SOR! BUT I DON'T KNOW WHAT YE WANT THIS JUNK FER?

WELL-LL.. IT'S GOODBYE TO ENGLAND AND BACK TO WORK!

AFTER THEIR ARRIVAL HOME, ARTHUR GOES TO THE PLANE PLANT WITH HIS FATHER, AND.

THE WORKMEN GOT EXCALIBUR ON BOARD WITH OUR TRUNKS... I HOPE IT WON'T BE LONG BEFORE I CAN USE IT!..



GENTLEMEN, THIS IS THE SECOND THEFT OF VALUABLE BLUE-PRINTS THAT HAS OCCURRED... SOMETHING MUST BE DONE!

FIFTH COLUMNISTS STEALING AIRPLANE PLANS... THE TIME HAS COME! EXCALIBUR AND I MUST FIND THE SPIES!

THE MOMENT IS NOW... ARTHUR PREPARES TO DRAW EXCALIBUR FROM THE STONE!.. CAN HE DO IT?



AT ARTHUR'S GENTLE TUG THERE IS A BLINDING FLASH AS EXCALIBUR SLIPS FROM THE STONE.

IT'S TRUE.. IT'S TRUE... NOW AS THE SWORD... I'M READY FOR THOSE THIEVING FIFTH COLUMNISTS!



THAT NIGHT THE SWORD
HIDES IN THE FILING ROOM
AT THE PLANE FACTORY...
...Suddenly...

LET'S MAKE IT SNAPPY
AND GET OUT OF
HERE!

WHY THAT
GIRL IS DAD'S
PRIVATE SECRET-
ARY.. NAOMI
JOHNSON!

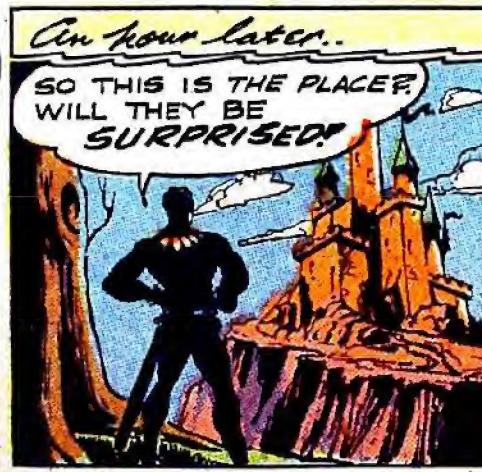
CAN I HELP
YOU?

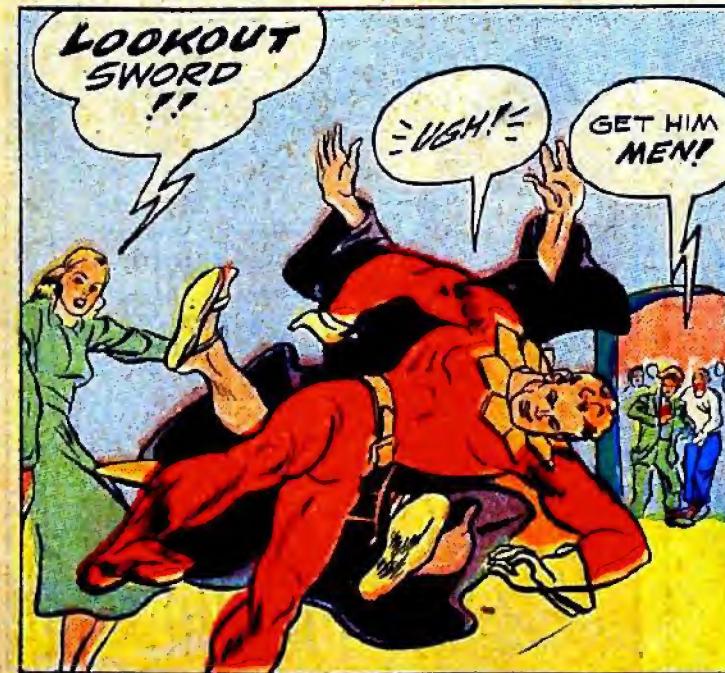
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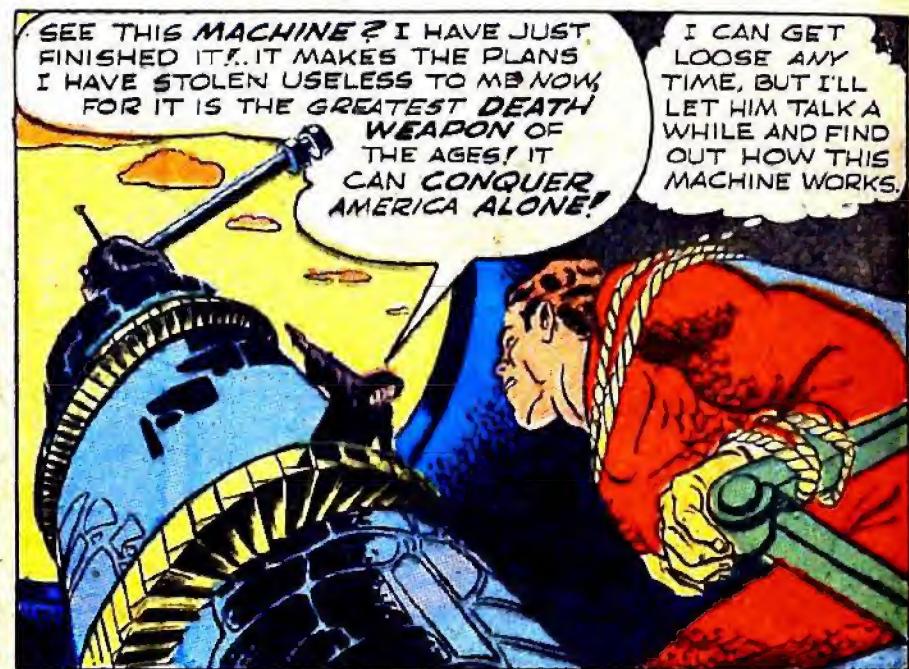
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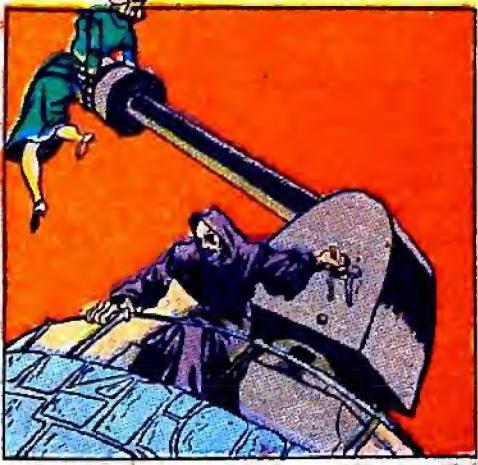
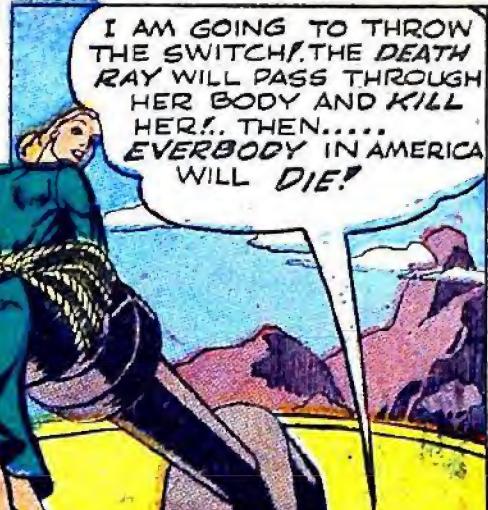
THIS'LL HELP YOU...
TO A ONE-WAY
RIDE!

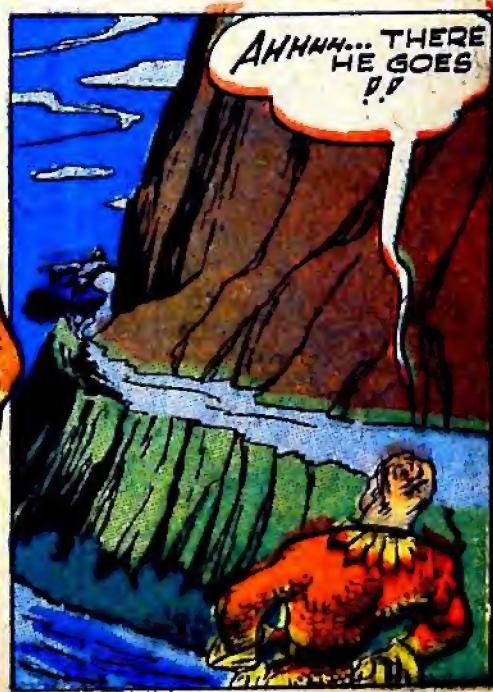
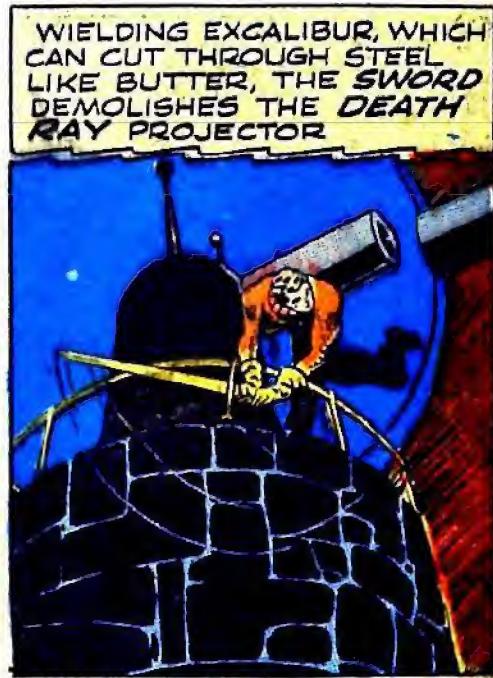
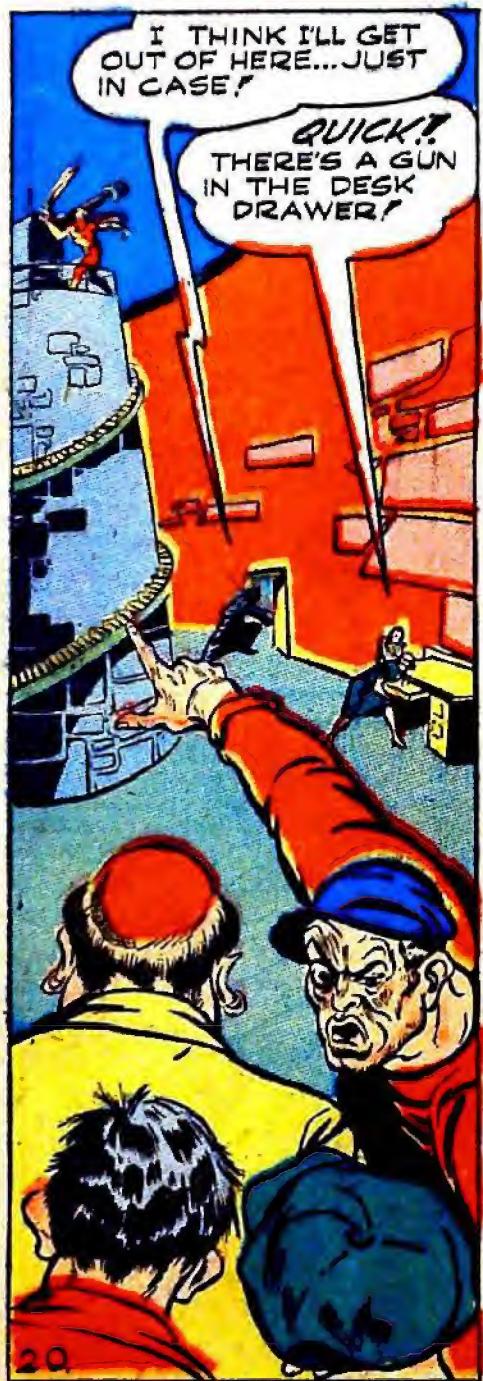












THE SWORD OVERTAKES THE BLACK MASTER AT THE EDGE OF A GREAT CLIFF!

AT LAST! I'VE GOT YOU!

I'M NOT THROUGH YET!

HOW DO YOU LIKE THAT?

But the force of the swing unbalances the Black Master... he sways for a moment... And...



LATER...

THE G-MEN GOT HERE FAST..
THE GIRLS ARE SAFE NOW..
AND I'D BETTER GET HOME
AND BECOME ARTHUR
LAKE AGAIN... THIS
JOB IS FINISHED!

BACK HOME.. THE SWORD
PREPARES TO BECOME
ARTHUR LAKE ONCE MORE!

I HATE TO GIVE UP MY
STRENGTH EVEN FOR
A SHORT TIME, BUT I
CAN'T BE THE SWORD
ALL THE TIME!..



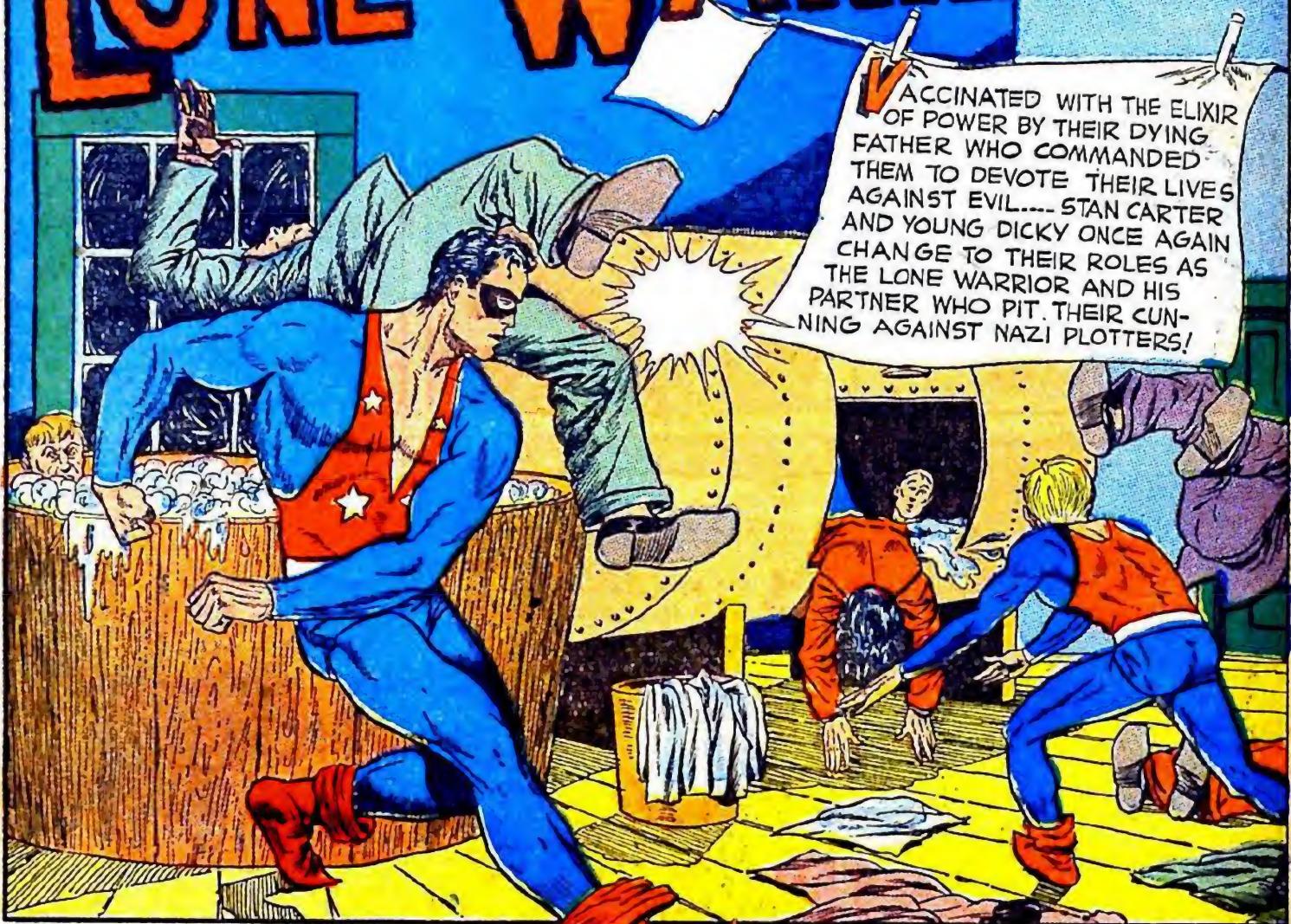
BACK INTO ITS STONE
GOES EXCALIBUR...
And...

NO LONGER THE SWORD,
ARTHUR LAKE BECOMES
AN ORDINARY FELLOW...
DREAMING OF ADVENTURE!

NO ONE KNOWS WHO THE
SWORD, REALLY IS... PERHAPS
THEY WILL NEVER KNOW! I
HAVE A FEELING, THOUGH THAT
EXCALIBUR AND I WILL HAVE
ANOTHER ADVENTURE
SOON!



The LONE WARRIOR



CAMP FLAGG!! AS AN ARMY TRUCK RUMBLES TOWARD THE CAMP'S LAUNDRY CONCESSION ITS HEADLIGHTS PICK OUT A SCENE OF VIOLENCE!

HEY! WHO ARE --- OUCH!

SHUT HIM UP... QVICK!!

CAMP FLAGG LAUNDRY CONCESSION

OH...YOU'RE IN THE ARMY NOW---SAY! WHAT GOES ON???

A SCREECH OF BRAKES, AND THE DRIVER, STAN CARTER WHO, IN REALITY IS THE AMAZING "LONE WARRIOR"---LEAPS FROM THE STILL MOVING TRUCKS ---

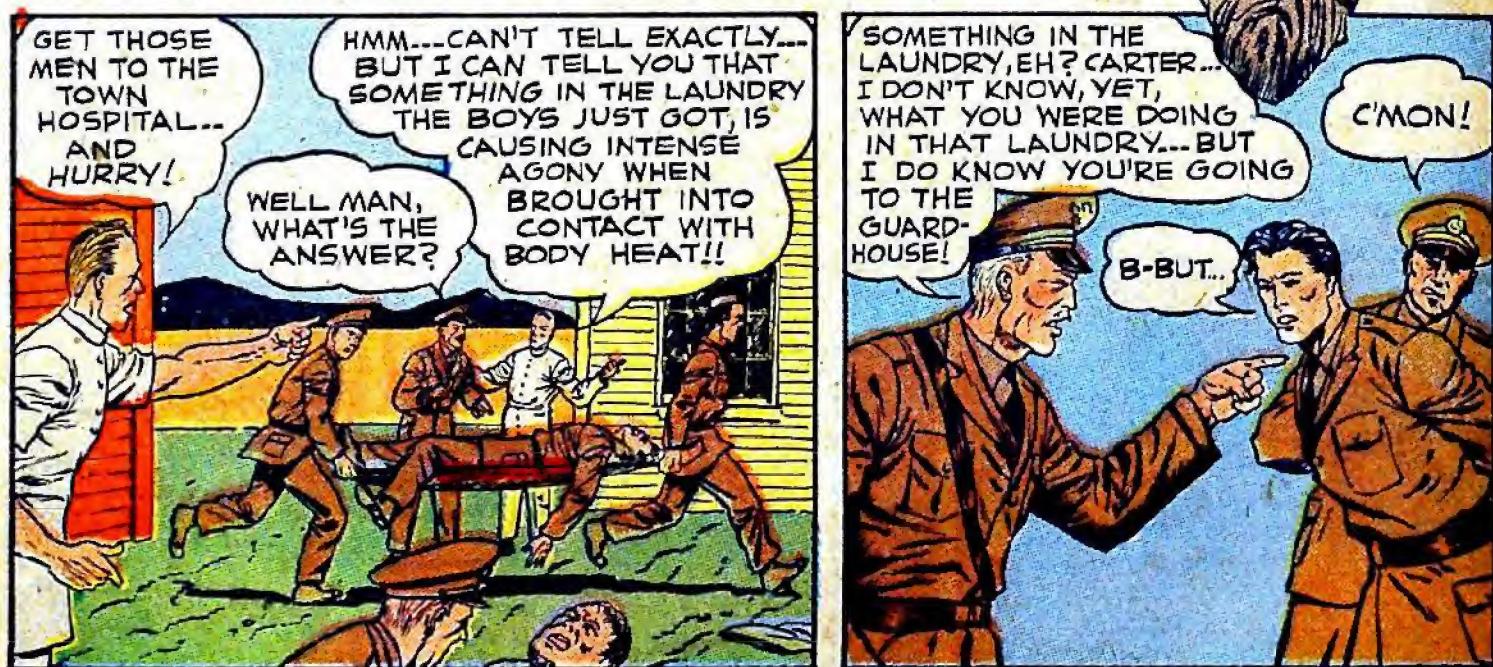
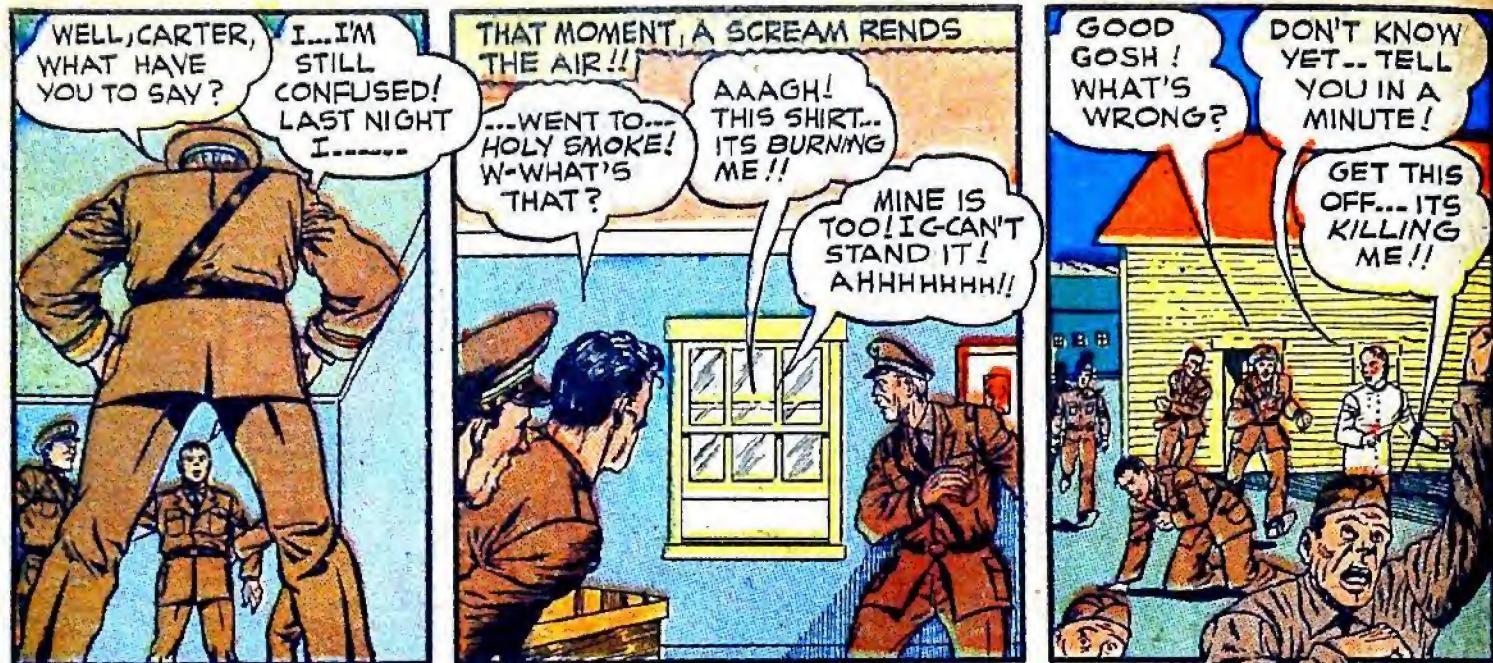
VOT? OHHH!

I'LL TEACH YOU...UGH!

CORRECTION!
I'LL TEACH YOU!!

THREE AGAINST ONE, EH?
HOW ABOUT SOME COMPANY?





THAT NIGHT, NEAR THE ARMY CAMP, STAN CARTER'S BROTHER, DICKY, WAITS IMPATIENTLY.

GEE THAT'S FUNNY! STAN WAS NEVER THIS LATE FOR AN APPOINTMENT! MAYBE HE GOT SENTRY DUTY TONIGHT AN' COULDN'T GET AWAY! I'LL TAKE A LOOK-SEE!

DASHING TOWARD THE CAMP, DICKY SEARCHES FRANTICALLY.

NOPE, THAT ISN'T STAN... GOSH! TH' PLACE IS QUARANTINED!

GUARANTINED

I'M STAN CARTER'S BROTHER.. WHAT HAPPENED? IS.. IS HE ALLRIGHT???

HE'S ALLRIGHT... IN THE TOWN JAIL! TEUR.. THAT'S WHAT HE IS!!

DICKY WHIPS ABOUT AND DASHES TOWARD THE JAIL...

THEY'VE GOT STAN ALL WRONG! I'VE GOT TO HELP HIM!

AT THE JAIL...

CARTER'S KID BROTHER, EH? AIN'T NOTHIN' TO BE PROUD OF! GO AHEAD--I'LL GIVE YOU A FEW MINUTES WITH HIM!

I'M CARTER'S BROTHER. I WANNA SEE HIM!!

AND THAT'S THE COMPLETE STORY, KID! I'M STILL TRYING TO FIND A STARTING POINT FROM WHICH TO MOVE!

YEAH--BUT.. SAYY, STAN, WHAT'S ALL THE LAUNDRY DOIN' AROUND?

DON'T TOUCH THAT!! THAT'S WHERE ALL THE TROUBLE SPRANG FROM!!

S-SURE! H-HEY STAN!! LOOK!!

AHA! SO THE GOLIATH LAUNDRY COMPANY PRINTS ITS SEVENS GERMAN STYLE, EH? WELL... WELL!!

SUDDENLY, TWO HEADS DRAW CLOSE TOGETHER...

--BZZ-- THAT'S HOW WE'LL GET OUT!

...GOOD IDEA!

WITH THE CLOTHES UNDERNEATH, THE BED'LL LOOK FILLED WITH ME!

YEAH AND IF WE GET OUT OF HERE QUICK ENOUGH, WE'LL FILL THE GOLIATH LAUNDRY COMPANY WITH FISTS!

GOLIATH LAUNDRY CO 777 BLAKE AVE.

THE LONE WARRIOR'S ROPELIKE MUSCLES TENSE---AND PRISON BARS GIVE WAY!

AAHHHH! THEY'RE GIVING WAY!

GEE, IF DAD WERE ALIVE HE'D CERTAINLY BE PROUD OF THE POWER ELIXIR HE INVENTED...AN' TH' GOOD WORK WE'RE GOING TO DO WITH IT!!

NOISELESSLY DROPPING TO THE GROUND OUTSIDE---THE TWO FIGURES RACE INTO THE NIGHT...

THIS IS IT, WARRIOR!

YEP..HERE WE GO!!!

LAUNDRY

THEIR FLYING FEET POUND UP THE STAIRS...

HA HA! YOU SHOULD HAFF SEEN THE SOLDIERS DYING. THAT SHTUFF VE PUT IN DER LAUNDRY WORKED BEYOOTIFULLY! UND DOT FOOL VE FRAMED... ISS IN CHAIL!! DEY BLAME HIM...HAHA!

LISTEN TO THAT!!

UND BEST UF ALL DER CAMP IS QVARANTINED. VE SMASH DER FEW FOOLS LEFT TO GUARD IT... LOAD ALL AMMUNITION AND GUNS OUR LAUNDRY TRUCKS WILL TAKE... AND DEN---

WAIT A MINUTE, DICKY, THAT VOICE SOUNDS FAMILIAR!

DEN YOT?

DEN. VE GET ACROSS DER TEXAS BORDER INTO MEXICO AND SEND DER SHTUFF TO CHERMANY---ULP! WH-WHO SAID DOT????

I DID...AND I'M NOT FINISHED!

DON'T ASK QUESTIONS--- SHOOT!!

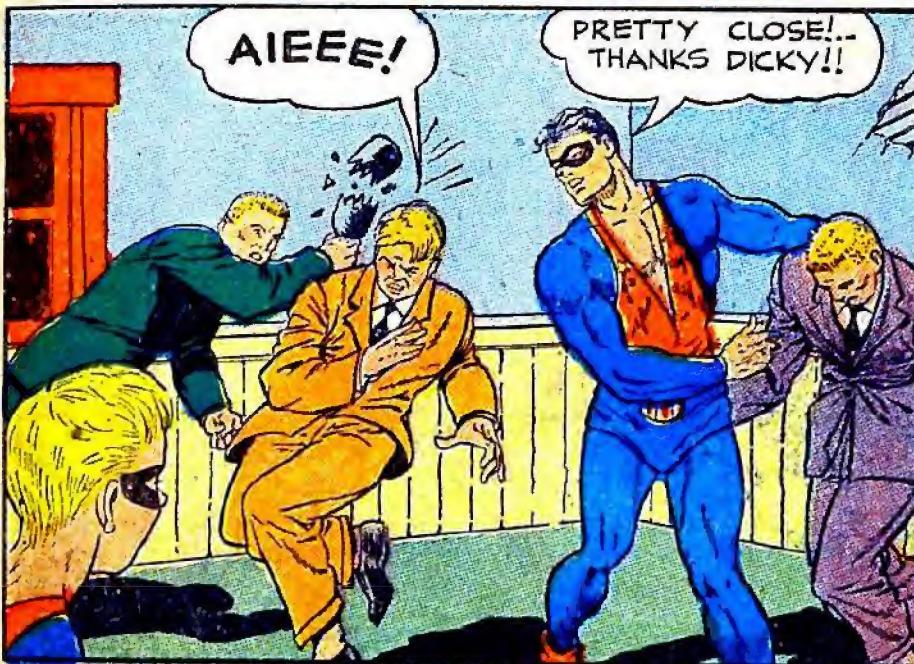
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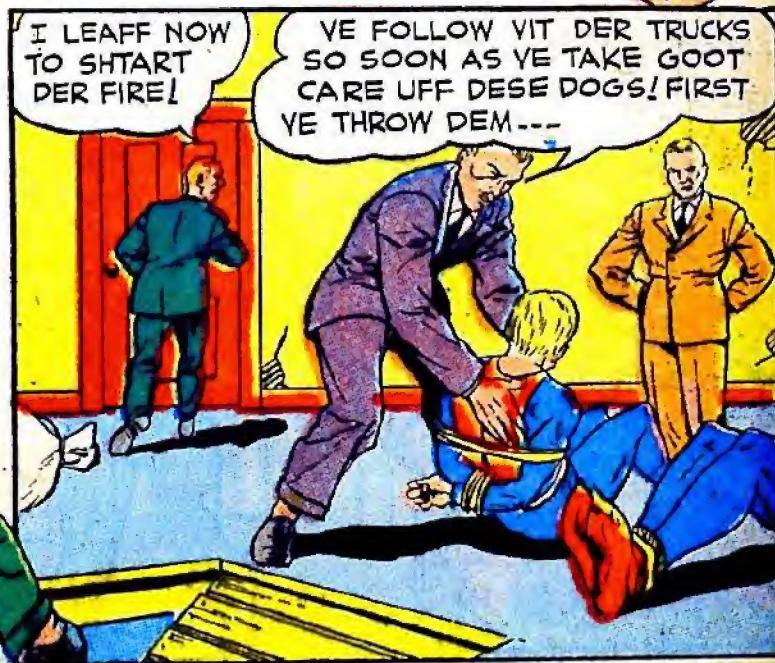
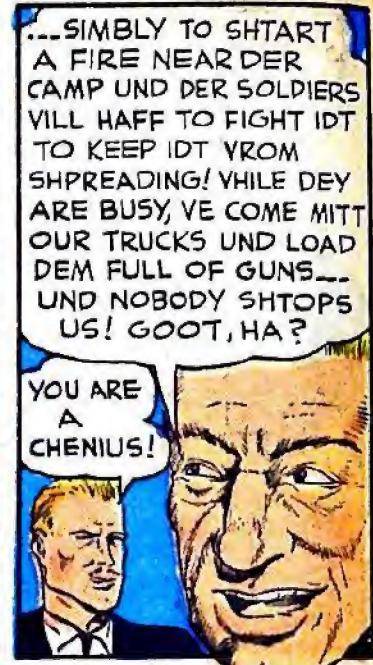
SHOTS GO WILD AS PUNISHING FISTS CRASH AGAINST NAZI JAWBONES!

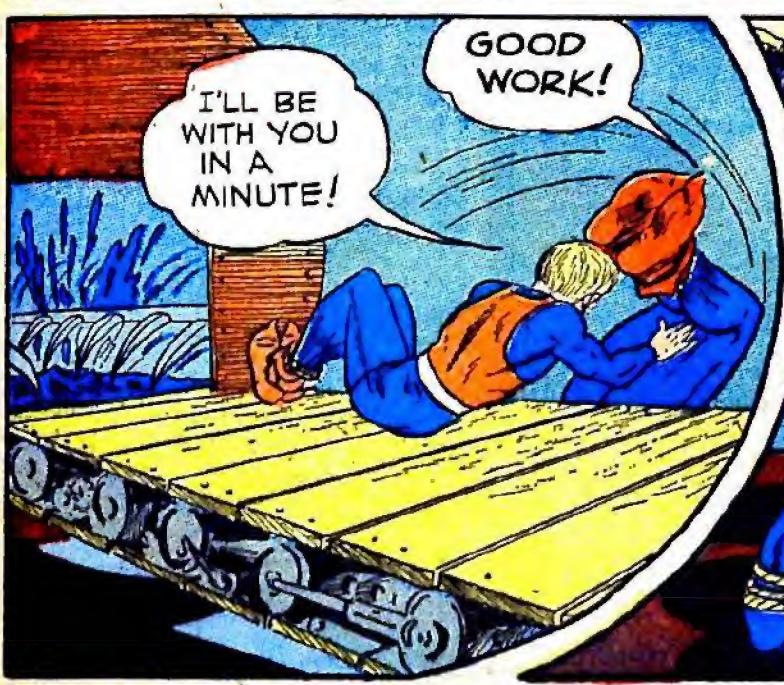
I'LL...I'LL... UGH!

MIND IF I CHANGE THE RECORD?

OUUF!







MEANWHILE...TREMENDOUS MOTORS ROAR INTO LIFE AND THE WONDER SHIP ROCKETS FROM ITS HIDING PLACE-----



A FINGER FLICKS A HIDDEN SWITCH AND---

THERE GO THE RETRACTABLE WINGS, WARRIOR! NOW...WHAT'S YOUR PLAN OF ATTACK???

WELL...IF WE GO FOR THE PHONY LAUNDRY TRUCKS, THE NAZI FIRE BUG WILL HAVE STARTED SOMETHING THAT MAY WRECK EVERYTHING, INCLUDING THE TOWN!



AS THE WONDER PLANE SOON SWEEPS OVER THE DESERTED CAMP-----

BE CAREFUL, DICKY! JUST TRY TO HOLD THEM!!

CHECK!

THROTTLE WIDE OPEN... THE WONDER PLANE ZOOMS FOR THE CRACKLING FLAMES----

HIMMEL! V-VOT ISS DOT FOOL DRYING TO DO!



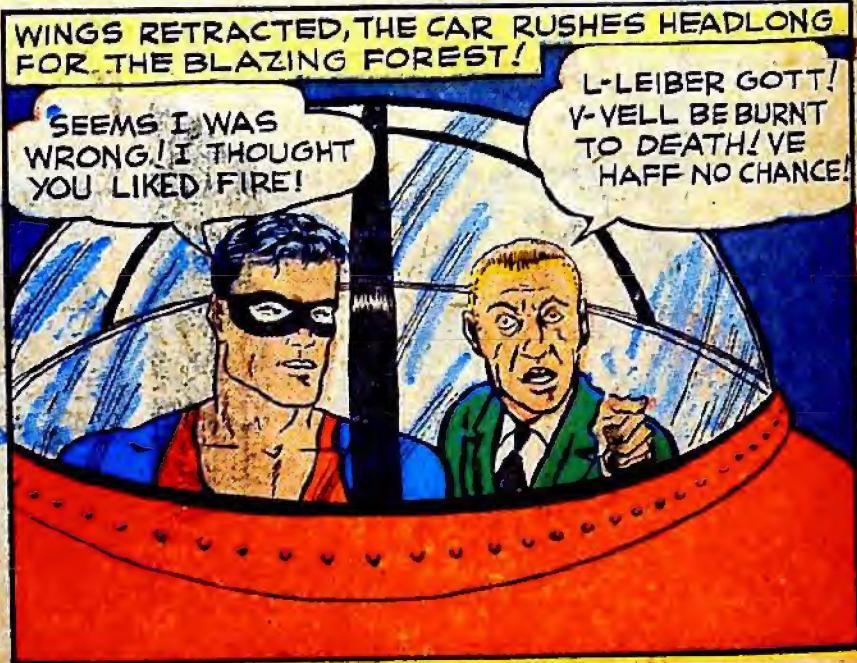
---FOR I INSIST ON HAVING COMPANY!!

Y-YOU???...US...AIEEE!!

WINGS RETRACTED, THE CAR RUSHES HEADLONG FOR THE BLAZING FOREST!

SEEMS I WAS WRONG! I THOUGHT YOU LIKED FIRE!

L-LEIBER GOT! V-VELL BE BURNT TO DEATH! VE HAFF NO CHANCE!



AND IF WE TAKE CARE OF THE FIRE, FIRST, THEN THE TRUCKS WILL MAKE THEIR HAUL AND GET AWAY! SO-----

SAY NO MORE! I GET IT!



NO USE BREAKING SPEED RECORDS, WILHELM...

H-HE WILL CRASH! B-BETTER I LEAFF NOW!



A KNOB TWISTS AND TRACTOR TREADS
DROP FROM THE MARVELLOUSLY COMPLEX
MECHANISM!

I...I DON'T
WANT TO
D-DIE!

IT WOULD BE POETIC
JUSTICE IF YOU SUFF-
FERED THE FATE YOU
SO CALLOUSLY INTENDED
FOR OTHERS... BUT
I HAVE OTHER
PLANS!

I KNOW HOW HARD
YOU'VE WORKED...
BUT I'M SURE YOU
WON'T MIND IF I
MESS UP YOUR
PLANS!

MAMMOTH TREES
ARE SNAPPED LIKE
MATCH-STICKS BE-
FORE THE TRACTOR'S
ONSLAUGHT----



AS THE HURRYING
SOLDIERS BURST
UPON THE SCENE.

J-JUMPIN' JELLY-
FISH!! WHAT'S
THAT CON-
TRAPTION!!

I AIN'T NEVER
SEEN ANYTHING
LIKE IT!

THE MARINES
HAVE LANDED!
I'D BETTER
HURRY!

TRACTOR TREADS DISAPPEAR...AND
WINGS SLIDE INTO POSITION----

GET BACK TO
THE CAMP.. NAZI
SABOTEURS ARE
PLANNING TO
STEAL YOUR
GUNS AND AM-
MUNITION!

WHOEVER
YOU ARE...
THANKS! LET'S
GO MEN!



THAT MOMENT...
AT CAMP FLAGG...

GOLLY!... HERE
THEY COME
NOW! MAYBE
THE GATE'LL
STOP 'EM!

SHTEP ON IDT, HANS,
SOMEONE CLOSES DER
GATES... HO! ITS DER
LITTLE VEASEL...
HE'S ESCAPED!



A HAIL OF BULLETS SING FROM THE TRUCKS
AS THE MAMMOUTHS CRASH THROUGH!

CAN'T MAKE
IT... YEEOW!

VE HAFF POURLED INTO
HIM ENOUGH BULLETS
TO MAKE VOR HIM
A LEAD COFFIN!
HA! HA!



AS THE NAZIS, WIELDING SUB-MACHINE GUNS, POUR FROM THE TRUCKS, AN AVENGING MAN-MADE BIRD SWEEPS OVER THE FIELD...

HO! MISSED DER SHRIMP!
DIS TIME VE MAKE SURE!

THEY'VE GOT
DICKY CORNERED!

...BUT THERE'S
ONE MORE RABBIT,
OR SNAKE...
LEFT IN THE
HAT!

A--A PLANE---
UND IDT DROPS
A BOMB!



AND IT IS A BOMB---A HUMAN BOMB, FOR THE LONE WARRIOR HAS FLUNG WILHELM---THE FALSE LAUNDRY CONCESSIONAIRE FROM THE WONDER PLANE---

THIS'LL HOLD 'EM
TILL WARRIOR
SETS TH' PLANE
DOWN!

AIEEEE!

ITS---WILHELM...
UGH!



THE NAZIS
CONFESS
AND---

SAY,--WAIT
A MINUTE.
I WANT TO
THANK YOU!

FOR WHAT?
THANK US FOR
SOMETHING
WE ENJOYED
DOING?
DON'T KID
US!

WELL, WHOEVER
THEY ARE, THEY'VE
DONE A SWELL JOB!
I BETTER GET CARTER
OUT OF JAIL AND
PERSONALLY
APOLOGIZE!

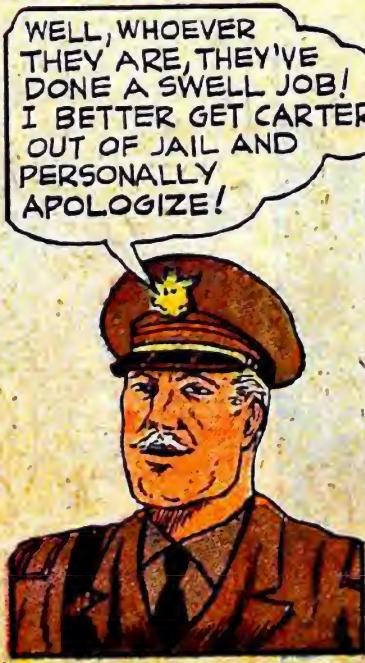
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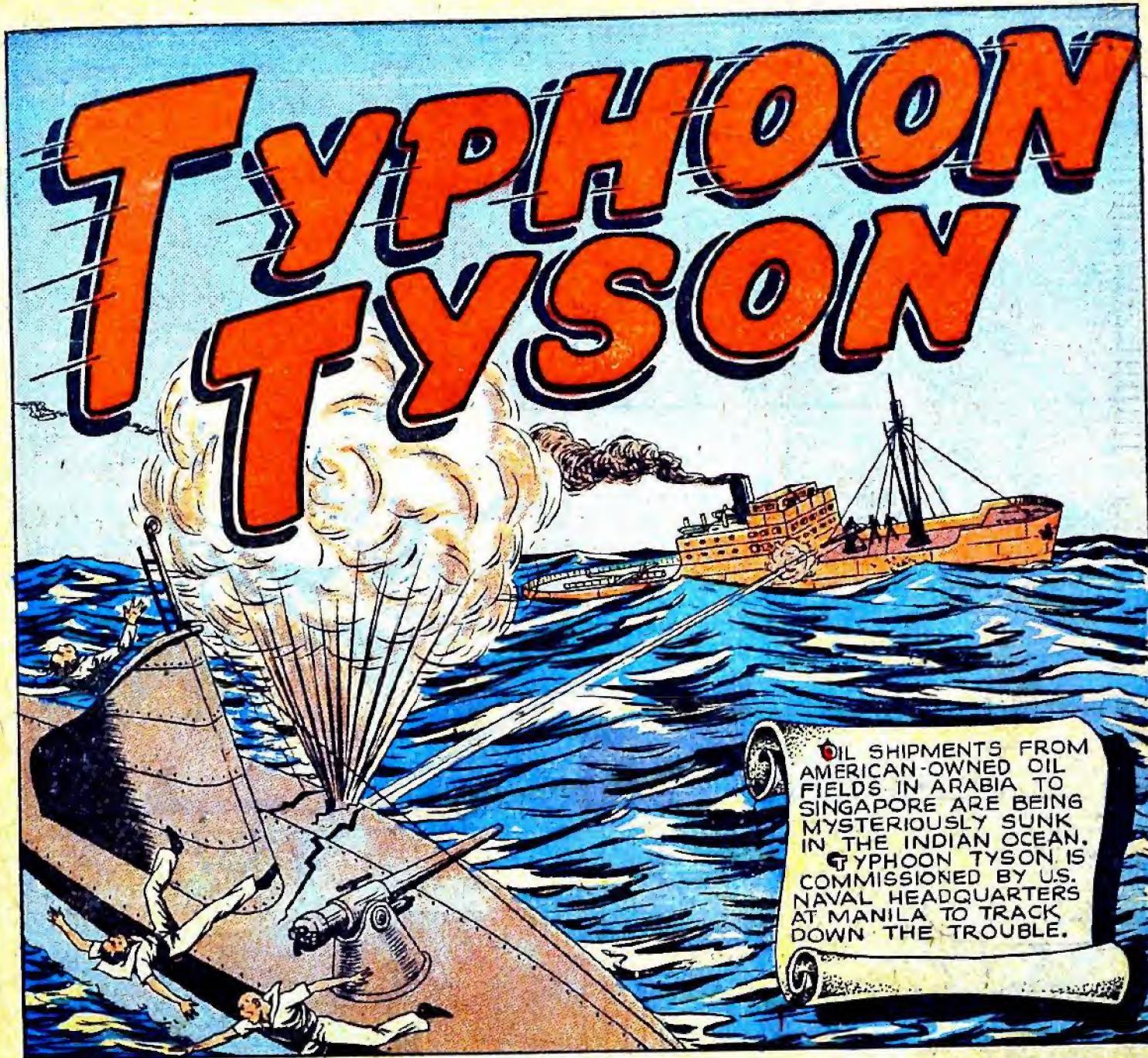
CARTER,
I'VE COME
HERE TO
APOLOGIZE
AND... SAY,
WHAT WERE
YOU DOING
WITH THOSE
BARS?

HUH??OH..
ER---JUST
EXERCISING!
KEEPING
FIT Y'KNOW!
HAHA!

GULP...JUST
STRAIGHT-
ENED OUT
THOSE
BARS IN
TIME!

YOU STILL
HERE???.
WELL...YOU
CAN BOTH
LEAVE
NOW!





OIL SHIPMENTS FROM AMERICAN-OWNED OIL FIELDS IN ARABIA TO SINGAPORE ARE BEING MYSTERIOUSLY SUNK IN THE INDIAN OCEAN. TYPOON TYSON IS COMMISSIONED BY U.S. NAVAL HEADQUARTERS AT MANILA TO TRACK DOWN THE TROUBLE.

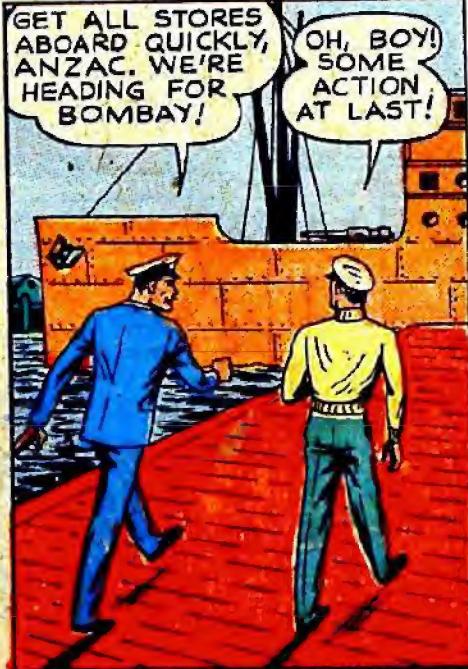
AT U.S. NAVAL HEADQUARTERS AT MANILA.

THERE ARE YOUR SEALED ORDERS CAPTAIN TYSON.. AND GOOD LUCK! THIS IS GOING TO BE A LOT OF FUN, COMMANDER!

GET ALL STORES ABOARD QUICKLY, ANZAC. WE'RE HEADING FOR BOMBAY!

OH, BOY! SOME ACTION AT LAST!

AND THAT EVENING THE DOUGHTY SEA LION STANDS OUT TO SEA ON ITS PERILOUS MISSION.



THREE WEEKS LATER, THE SEA LION DROPS ANCHOR AT BOMBAY. . . .

IT'LL BE GOOD TO HIT THE BEACH AFTER THAT LONG PULL!

YOU SAID IT MIKE!



THAT NIGHT, MIKE WINDS UP IN A WATER-FRONT DIVE.

YOU'RE A GOOD GUY, MIKE!



BUT CARMEN IS A CLEVER SPY FOR A NAZI AGENT. . . .

AND SHE FINALLY GETS MIKE TO TELL HER WHY THE SEA LION IS IN BOMBAY. . . .



SUDDENLY, IN HIS STUPOR, MIKE GROWS SUSPICIOUS OF CARMEN!

WHEN DO YOU SAIL, MIKE?

WE'RE SAILIN'... WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES THAT MAKE TO YOU?



I'LL GIVE YOU FIFTY DOLLARS IF YOU TELL ME!

OH! SO YOU'RE A SPY, EH? WELL, I'M NOT TALKIN', SEE! AND I'LL . . .



FEARING MIKE WILL EXPOSE HER TO THE POLICE, CARMEN SIGNALS HER HENCHMEN TO CAPTURE HIM!

YOU ARE VERY SILLY, MIKE!

OH, YEAH!



THE OTHER SPIES CLOSE IN ON MIKE!

COME ON OUTSIDE A MINUTE, BUDDY!

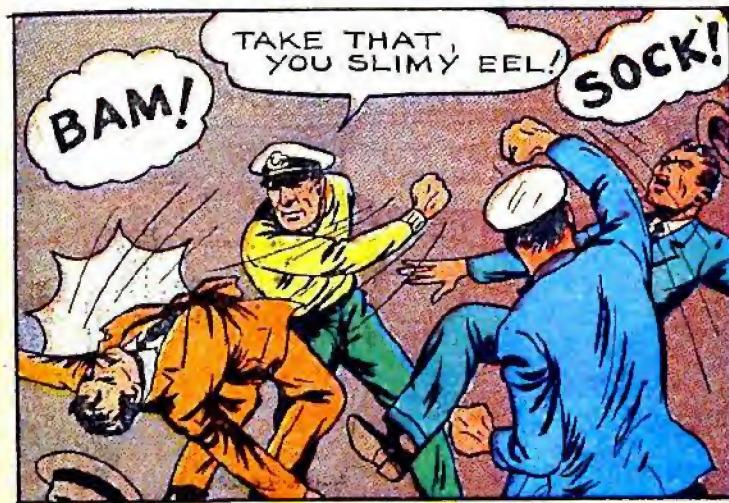
WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA?



MEANWHILE, TYPHOON AND ANZAC, RETURNING TO THE SEA LION, PASS BY THE BAR MIKE IS IN . . .



TYPHOON AND ANZAC WADE IN TO RESCUE MIKE.



LATER THAT NIGHT, CARMEN REPORTS TO HER NAZI CHIEF IN A SUMPTUOUS ORIENTAL HIDE-OUT.

YES, HERR LEADER, THAT SHIP, THE SEA LION, THAT ARRIVED TODAY, IS LEAVING VERY SOON TO HUNT OUR RAIDERS!

VERY GOOD WORK, CARMEN! VE SHALL SOON FIX THEM!



THE NAZI AGENT RADIOS INSTRUCTIONS TO HIS SUBMARINE.

WATCH FOR THE SEA LION. IT SHOULD BE IN YOUR AREA IN ABOUT THREE DAYS. WE WILL TRAIL HER IN OUR RAIDER!

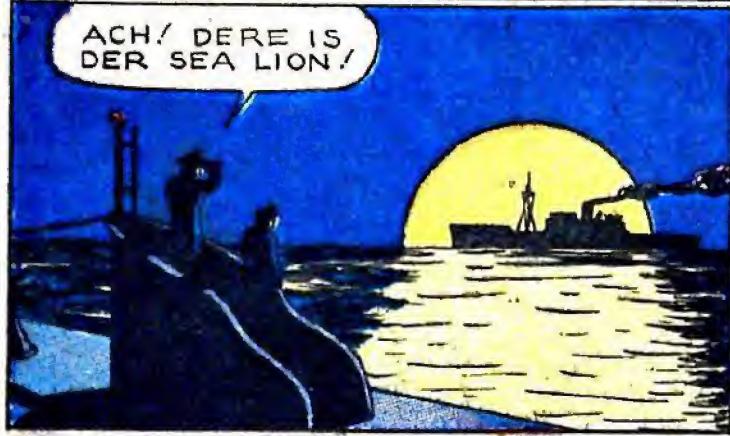


NEXT DAY, ABOARD THE NAZI RAIDER. . .

YES, THAT'S THE SEA LION STEAMING OUT NOW! WE WILL FOLLOW HER!



THREE NIGHTS OUT OF BOMBAY, THE NAZI SUB SIGHTS THE SEA LION..



PLANNING TO LOOT THE SEA LION BEFORE TORPEDOING IT, THE SUB SNEAKS UP ON IT!



VE VILL BOARD HER! GET YOUR CUTLASSES UND PISTOLS READY, DUMMERS!



THE SUB IS UNOBSERVED IN THE NIGHT AS IT SILENTLY CREEPS ALONGSIDE THE SEA LION!



SUDDENLY THE PIRATE CREW FLASH THEIR WEAPONS AND SWARM OVER THE SIDE OF THE SEA LION!



A BRUTAL FIGHT ENSUES BUT THE SURPRISED CREW OF THE SEA LION IS FINALLY OVERCOME!



SO YOU'RE THE PIRATE. DOGS WE WERE SUPPOSED TO HUNT DOWN!

YES, HERR CAPTAIN! VE ARE VERY SORRY TO SPOIL YOUR PLANS! TIE THEM UP, MEN!



THIS LOOKS BAD, ANZAC!

NOW LOCK THEM UP BELOW DECKS UND AFTER VE ROB THE SHIP, VE BLOW IT UP!



AS THEY TURN INTO A CORRIDOR BELOW DECKS, TYPHOON SLIPS INTO A DARK COMPARTMENT UNOBSERVED BY THE TWO GUARDS!



SH! THIS IS OUR ONLY HOPE!
I'VE GOT TO GET FREE AND SINK THAT SUB BEFORE THEY SINK US! HOW CAN I CUT THIS ROPE? BROKEN GLASS WOULD DO IT! AH! I'LL BREAK A WINDOW GLASS ON THE BRIDGE!



HE WAITS TILL THE SUB IS WELL CLEAR, THEN RUNS TO THE BRIDGE!



HE KICKS OUT A PANE OF GLASS, EXPOSING A SHARP EDGE!



THE GUARDS, NOT NOTICING TYPHOON'S ABSENCE, LOCK UP THE CREW AND RETURN TO TOPSIDE.



TYPHOON STEALS ABOVE AND, IN THE BREAKING DAWN, WATCHES THE SUB PULL AWAY FROM THE SEA LION!



AFTER LONG EFFORT THE ROPE IS FINALLY CUT!

THANK HEAVEN! MAN, THAT SUB IS ALMOST POINTING STRAIGHT AT US!



TYPHOON RUSHES MADLY TO THE GUN!

EVERY SECOND COUNTS!
HOPE I CAN GET HIM BEFORE HE GETS US!



BUT ANOTHER NAZI SUB, ALSO SEEKING THE SEA LION, APPROACHES FROM THE OTHER SIDE!

OUR OTHER SUB MUST HAVE CAPTURED THE SEA LION!

TYPHOON MANS THE GUN ALONE!

NOW HE'S POINTING RIGHT AT US!

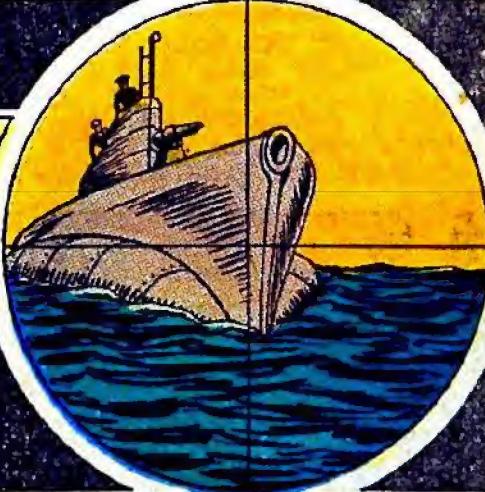


WHILE ON THE FIRST SUB . . .

STAND BY TO FIRE TORPEDO TUBE NUMBER 3!



TYPHOON POINTS THE GUN WITH DEADLY AIM!



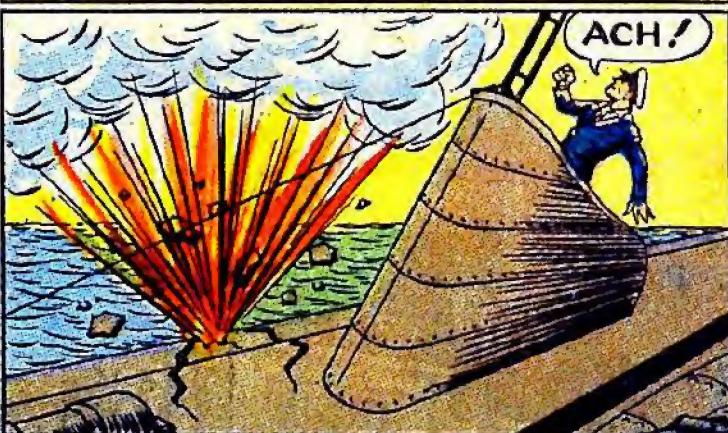
HE PULLS THE LANYARD AND A VIOLENT BLAST BREAKS THE STILLNESS!

DON'T MISS, BABY!



A DIRECT HIT! AND THE SUB BLOWS UP.

ACH!



NOW TO RELEASE THE CREW!

THE OTHER NAZI SUBMARINE, SENSING WHAT HAPPENED, OPENS FIRE WITH ITS HEAVIER GUN.

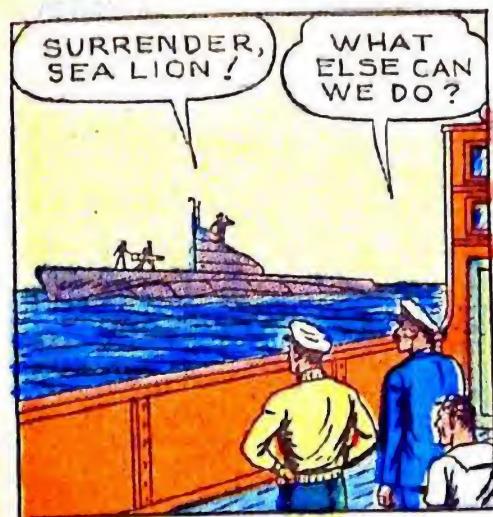
ACH! SOMETHING WENT WRONG! OPEN FIRE ON THE SEA LION!



... AND DESTROYS THE SEA LION'S GUN!

WHAT THE... THERE GOES OUR GUN! ANOTHER SUB!! HE'S GOT US LICKED NOW!





AS THE BOMB DESCENDS, TYPHOON
STREAKS FOR THE OTHER SIDE OF
THE SEA LION!

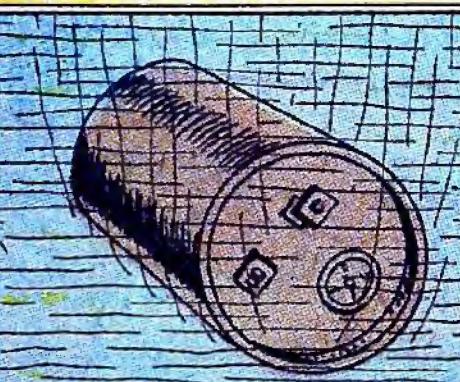
I'VE GOT TO
MAKE KNOTS PLENTY!

THROW ME A
LINE, ANZAC!

NICE GOIN',
SKIPPER!



THE BOMB PLUNGES
TO THE FATAL DEPTH
AS THE NAZIS RETURN
TO THEIR SUB!



AS IT REACHES 100 FEET
A TERRIFIC EXPLOSION
ROCKS THE OCEAN!



THE DOOMED SUB'S SEAMS
ARE SPLIT OPEN!



AS THE NAZI RAIDER DRAWS
NEAR, TYPHOON LEAPS FOR
HIS PLANE!

NOW TO NAIL
THAT RAIDER!



HE CATAPOULTS OFF THE SHIP TO BOMB
THE RAIDER!

TYPHOON'LL GET THAT
RAIDER OR I'M A FLYIN'
MACKEREL!

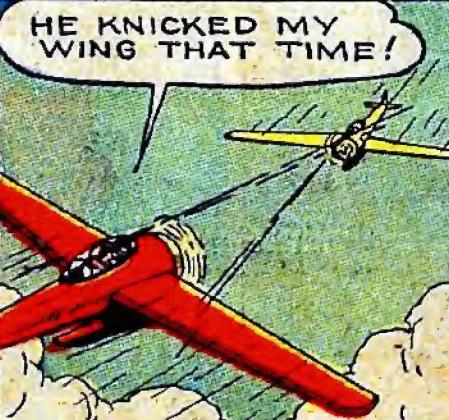


WHILE ON THE RAIDER...

ACH! A PLANE! I
MUST GO UP AND
BRING HIM DOWN!



A FURIOUS DOG FIGHT
FOLLOWS!



BUT A WICKED SPATTER
OF BULLETS SHATTERS
TYPHOON'S COCKPIT!

OUCH! HE GOT ME IN
IN THE SHOULDER!



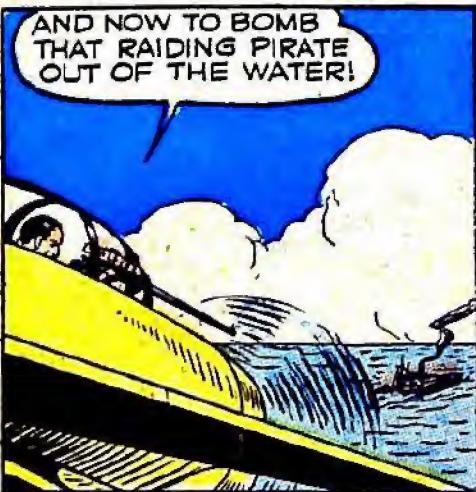
BANKING QUICKLY, TYPHOON COMES UP DIRECTLY UNDER HIS ENEMY.



HIS WICKED FIRE TEARS THROUGH THE NAZI'S FUSELAGE AND IT BURSTS INTO FLAMES!



AND NOW TO BOMB THAT RAIDING PIRATE OUT OF THE WATER!



BUT HEAVY ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE FROM THE RAIDER KEEPS TYPHOON TOO HIGH!



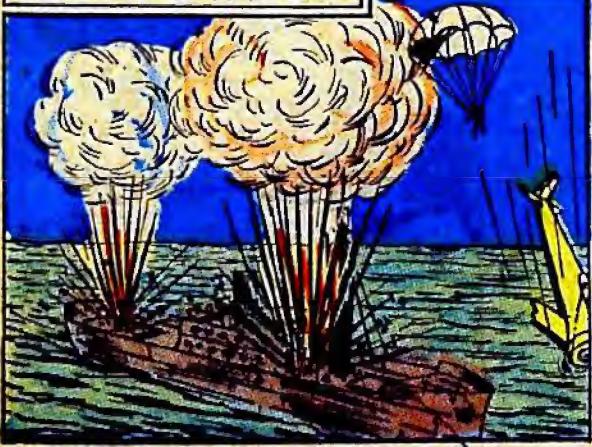
TYPHOON DECIDES ON A DARING BOMB DIVE.



AS TYPHOON DIVES ON THE RAIDER, IT'S DEADLY FIRE RIPS AWAY ONE OF HIS WINGS!



AS TYPHOON BALES OUT, THE BOMBS BLAST THE RAIDER!



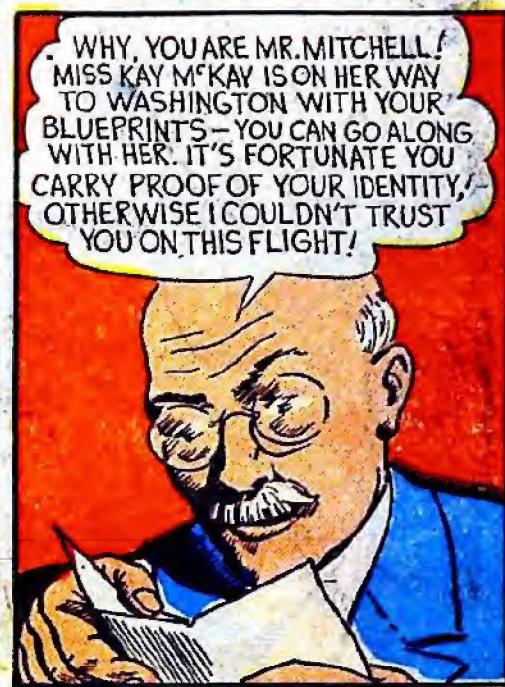
ANZAC'S BOAT CREW PICKS UP TYPHOON AS THE RAIDER GOES DOWN WITH ALL HANDS!

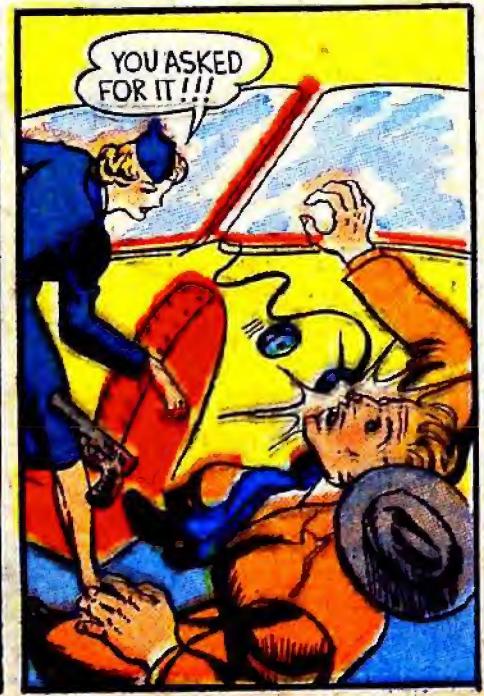


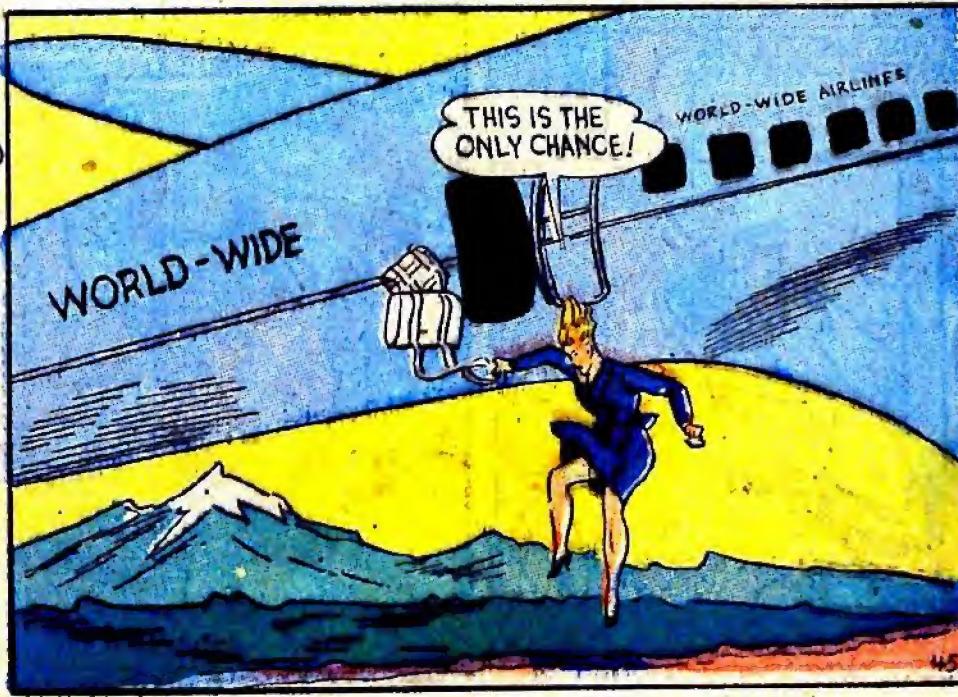
I GUESS THOSE OIL SHIPMENTS WILL GET THROUGH NOW!

THERE'LL BE ANOTHER SMASHING TYPHOON TYSON ADVENTURE IN THE NEXT ISSUE! DON'T MISS IT!!









SLINGING ONE ARM THROUGH THE STRAPS OF THE PARACHUTE, KAY PULLS THE RIP CORD . . .

I HOPE THIS WORKS!

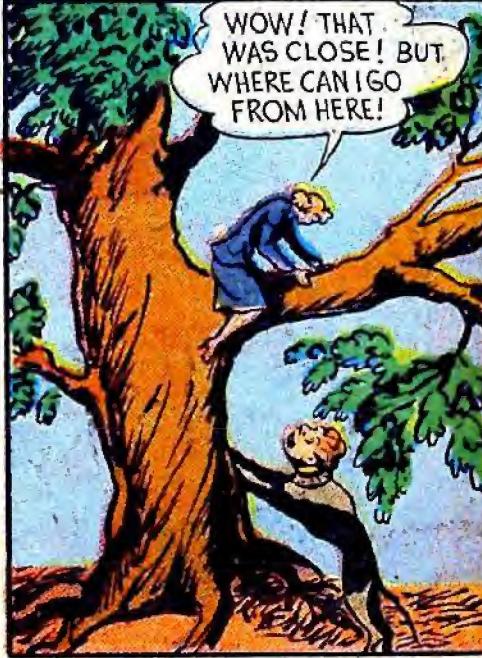
THEY'RE FORCING NED TO LAND NEAR THAT OLD MANSION NOT KNOWING THAT I HAVE THE PLANS THEY ARE AFTER!

FIRST, I MUST HIDE THESE PLANS, THEN TRY TO HELP NED!



AS KAY HIDES THE PAPERS SHE DOES NOT SEE A WEIRD FACE PEERING AT HER THROUGH THE BUSHES . . .

THIS IS A GOOD HIDING PLACE FOR THESE.



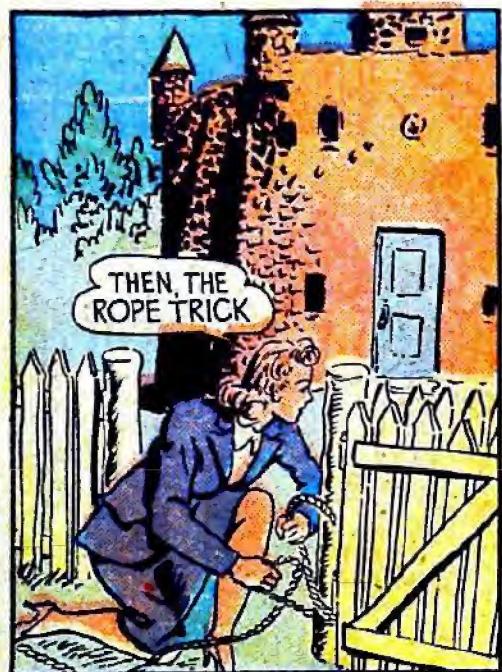
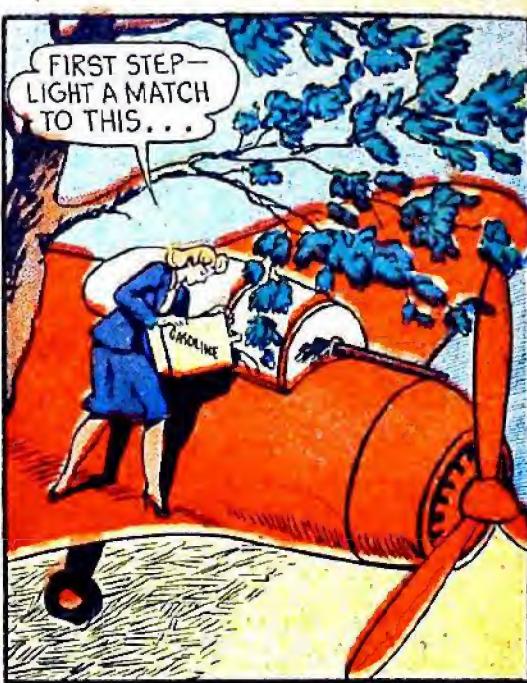
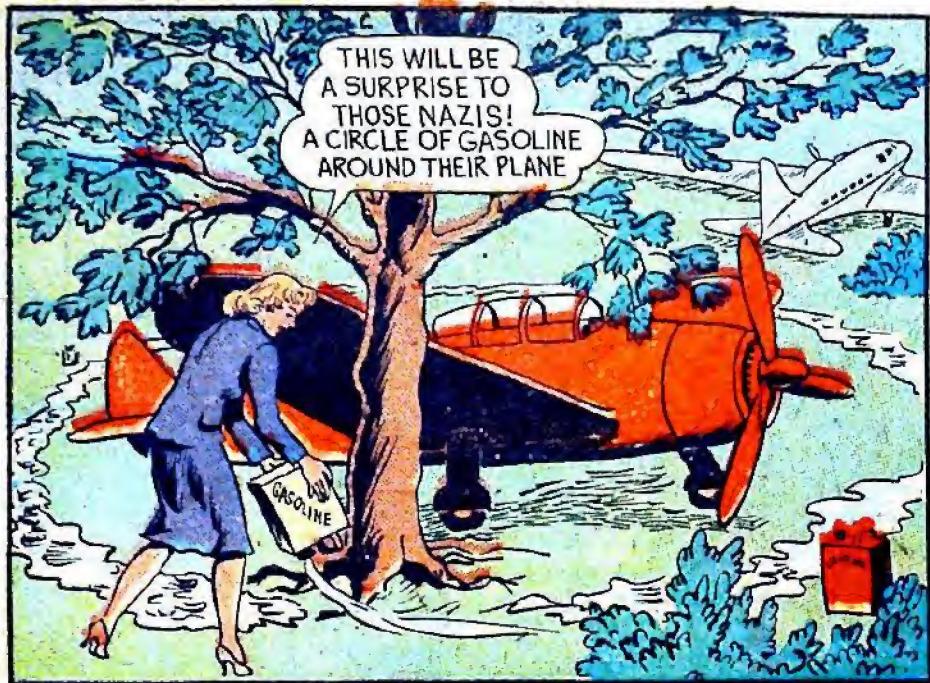
MEANWHILE, AT THE OLD MANSION

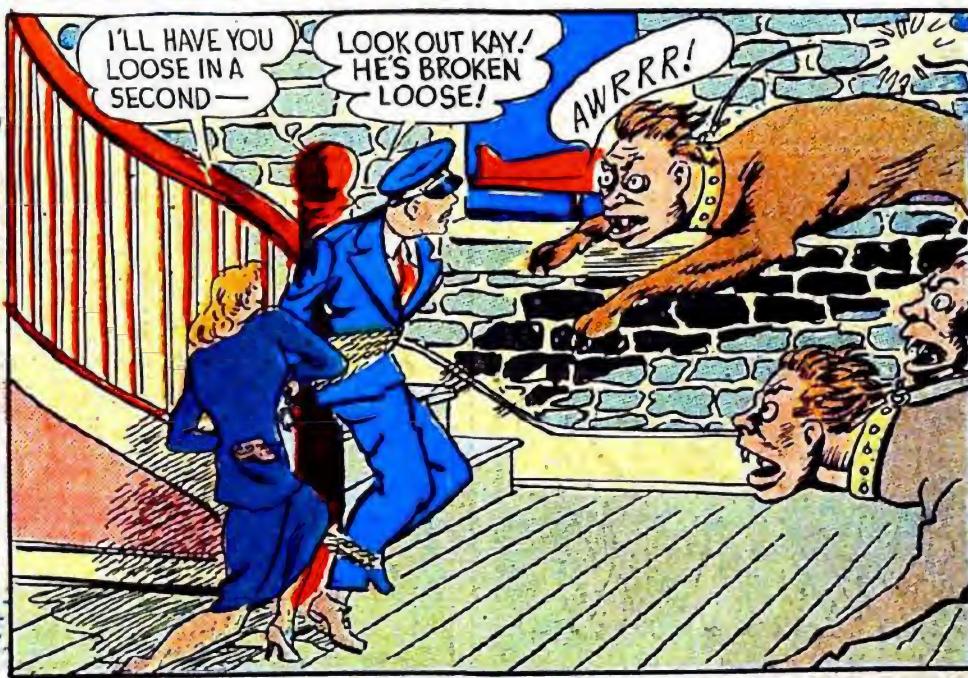
I WILL WHISTLE FOR MY PETS — THEY WILL MAKE THIS STUBBORN AMERICAN TALK!

THAT FRIGHTFUL THINGobeys its master's whistle!







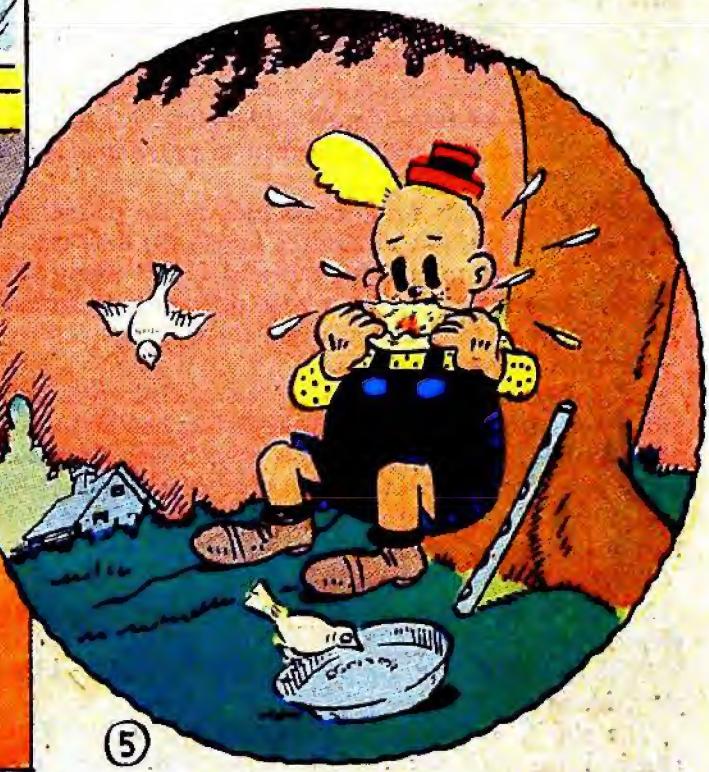
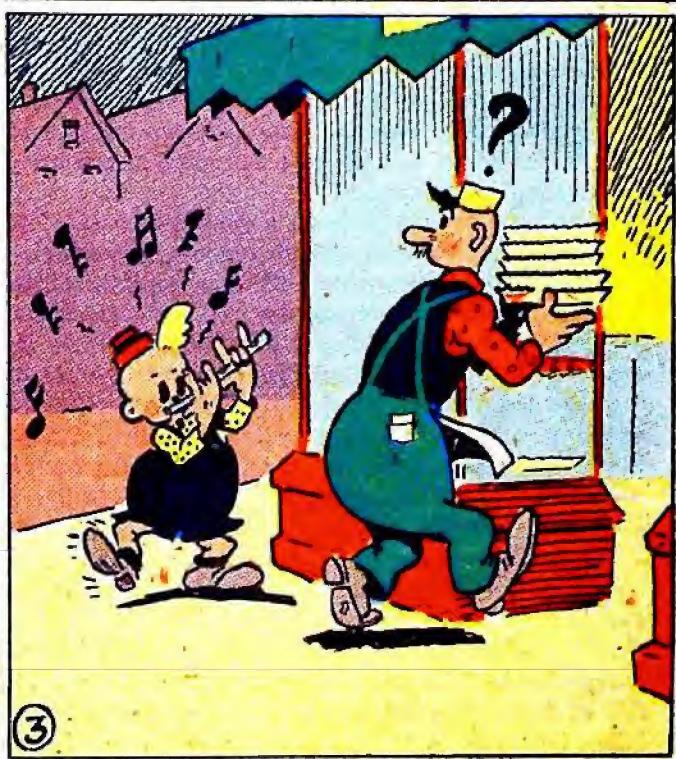
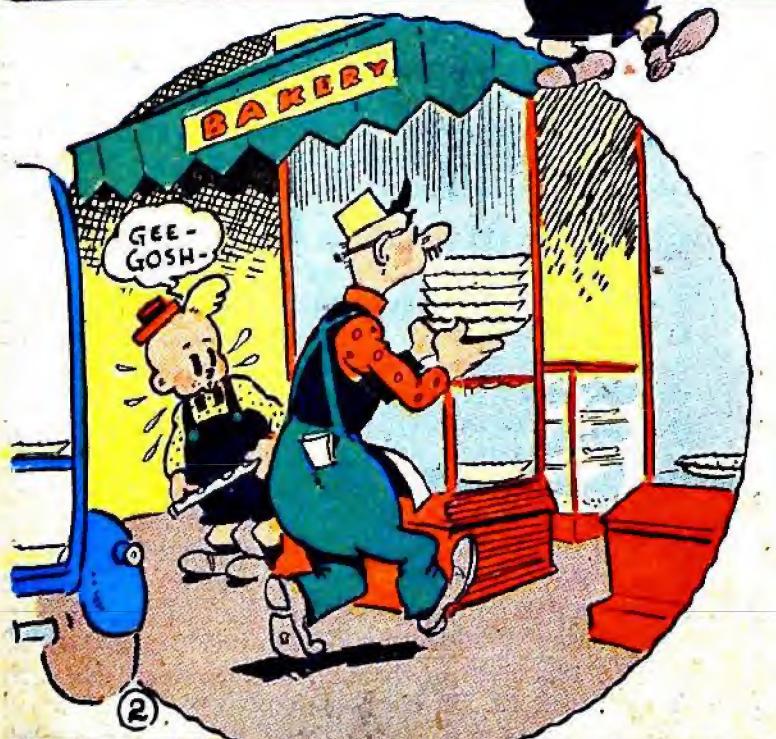
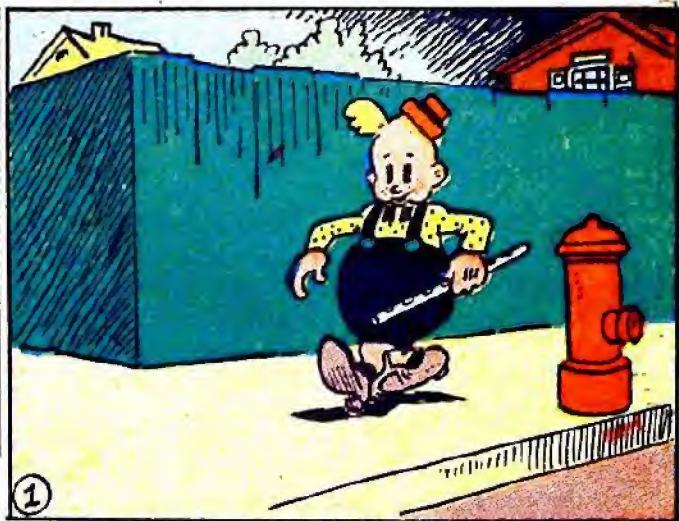




KAY RETURNS TO FIND THE POLICE HAVE PUT OUT THE FIRE AND ARRESTED THE NAZI SPIES

FINALLY





Range

By Ralph

AS the figure blocked out the sun that streamed through the doorway into the hot office, Sheriff Charley Rizdal turned in his chair. The sheriff's craggy brows drew together in anger. His heavy jowels quivered as he roared: "Shorty, confound you, where you been?"

Deputy Shorty Herman's red moon face twisted into a forced smile. He swallowed with effort.

"Charley," he managed at last, "you see I heard about a gypsy camp over to Salt Basin. They got a snake charmer with the outfit an' thinkin' of this outlaw Culver, it sorta gave me an idea."

Sheriff Rizdal turned more fully to face his deputy. He smashed a hard fist onto his desk top.

"You mean to tell me, Shorty, that after that lecture I gave you on them no-good ideas of yours and the trouble they made for us, that you got the nerve to tell me you're working on another one?"

The sheriff's voice rose to a greater thunder. "Wasn't that Blackie Miller idea enough for you, I'm askin'?"

The fidgeting Shorty recalled that incident of Blackie Miller when he broke from the jail. He was cornered in Turner Valley by Rizdal and a posse, but where he had holed up he could stand off the posse for a week.

It had been Shorty's idea to go to the Fisher horse ranch where the rancher had a gray killer stallion. Taking the horse, they would stake it out near where the outlaw was hidden. Seeing this means of escape, Blackie Miller would make a try for the horse and, once he hit that saddle, the killer would explode like dynamite. While he was having his hands full keeping aboard the killer, the posse could close in.

All went off perfectly, excepting that Fisher knew about Shorty and his ideas. He thought that this was just another one of those crazy things. So instead of giving Shorty the killer, he gave him another animal, one that had been broken to the saddle.

Therefore, when the outlaw hit the saddle and sank in his spurs, the gray stallion took him away so far and so fast that Charley Rizdal and the posse didn't have a chance. They hadn't heard from Blackie Miller since. All that came out of this, was that the county had to pay Fisher for his horse.

Shorty's reflections were jerked back to the present moment by another smash of Rizdal's fist on the desk top. "You listening to me, you calf-eyed fool?" shouted the sheriff. "One more idea and you're through as a lawman. Back you go to forty a month and found."

The sheriff waved a paper.

"Two days ago," he continued, "the marshal up at Lodenstone wrote and told me that Snake Culver had busted outta Deer Lodge and was headin' this way. Think about how we're gonna rope him in and no more trick ideas."

Suddenly Rizdal's eyes glanced at the cardboard box which Shorty held under one arm.

"What's that box you got tied up there?" he asked.

Shorty's voice was hardly a whisper. He gulped and then answered:

"Thinkin' of Culver, I got an idea, Charley. The idea—well, it's in this box."

The sheriff came out of his chair with a bound and snatched the tied box from Shorty's hand. Savagely he flung it through the doorway into the dusty street. Then

drawing in a long breath, the lawman began to speak soothingly as he would to a small child.

"Shorty, old son, you're an expert with a six-gun and only an Indian has better eyes for trackin'. Yes, you're pretty valuable to this here sheriff's office, but today I got Culver on my mind and my patience is kinda worn. I don't want to see that face around me for the rest of the afternoon or night. You just go up to the Bottoms Up Saloon, Shorty, and get into a good card game or get good and drunk and sleep it off, and maybe by tomorrow your head will be all cleared of ideas. But whatever you do get outa my sight."

Shorty lifted a hand and opened his mouth as if to say something. Instead, shrugging, he turned and clunked outside. He stopped only to recover the box which Rizdal had taken from him and flung into the street.

SHERIFF CHARLEY RIZDAL was the type who had, by hard work and effort, made a record for himself. When Snake Culver had held up the Voncha County stage, Charley saddled up and was not seen for four days. When he returned, Snake Culver was with him, a raging, fuming, wounded outlaw. From the time he was put in jail, tried by a jury and then shipped to Deer Lodge, he threatened to return and kill Charley Rizdal for what he had done.

Now, according to the marshal at Lodenstone, Culver was on his vengeance trail. Rizdal pulled out his watch and saw that the time was twelve thirty. Outside, night looked through the windows. The sheriff cleared his desk-top and then reached to turn out the lamp on the wall above it.

That was when he heard the creak of the door that opened into the cell block in the rear, and the voice that said: "Don't move, Rizdal! Get 'em up!"

Slowly the sheriff obeyed. Next he was commanded: "Turn around! And be quick about it!"

Rizdal turned. Then he knew that at last it had come. For he was looking into the green, wolflike eyes and black-bearded face of Snake Culver. In Culver's hairy hand reposed a long-barreled six-gun, pointed at the sheriff's head. Culver's lips were curled back from pointed teeth.

"Get up, sheriff, and move this way!"

Standing before the outlaw, Rizdal felt his gun being taken from its holster. He wished now that the jail and office had been built in the center of the town, instead of at one end of it. Then there might have been a chance for help.

Culver stepped back into the dimness of the short hallway.

"Come on, Rizdal," he chuckled. "We're goin' out the back way."

The sheriff walked through. With Culver's gun barrel jabbed into his back, he moved to the rear door, which was ajar.

"Keep goin' right outside, sheriff!" growled the outlaw.

Once outside, Rizdal noticed Culver pick up a bag nearby. From it came a sharp buzzing sound, and it suddenly struck Rizdal that Culver had a rattlesnake in that bag. He remembered then of stories he had heard of how Culver got the name of Snake. He would loose a rattlesnake on his victims. They would die a horrible death, but no evidence could point at the outlaw. Yet once or twice his victims had lived long enough to tell that it had been Culver who had released the snake on them.

Now the outlaw said: "All right, Rizdal, straight ahead to that barn ahead of you!"

Reptile

Powers

The sheriff was prodded toward the short barn where was kept his and Shorty's horses. They got inside, and again that ominous buzzing came to the condemned sheriff's ears. The two horses snorted with fright. A candle sputtered its yellow, wavering light over the surroundings.

"I said I'd get you, Rizdal," snarled Culver now. "You see this bag I'm openin'? Well, there's a good-sized rattler inside of it. Shootin' you, or knifin' you, won't make you suffer enough. A rattler's poison will prolong your life a little before you die. Don't think you can get away, Rizdal, 'cause I'll be standin' right outside listenin' to your yells and groans, and there'll be a gun in my paw."

Rizdal said nothing to the outlaw. He knew that talking would do no good. So now he watched as Culver finally opened the mouth of the flour sack and then hurried out, closing the barn door quickly after him.

The sack quivered. Then from the opening Charley saw the flat head and glittering eyes of the rattler. Its writhing body came gliding out of the sack. The head lifted and swayed from one side to the other. Finally it stopped, as it caught sight of the man. Again came that ominous rattle that portended death.

IT was a trying moment for Rizdal, as he watched and saw the snake glide toward him. A few feet away it stopped, coiled. And then, with blinding speed, it struck. Rizdal, perspiration gleaming on his face, leaped aside, and saw that the rattler had missed. With blinding speed it coiled again, its flat head and glittering eyes raised. But now Charley had gone to the other end of the room. The snake uncoiled and with a deathly swiftness came at him again. And the sheriff knew that he might not escape those fangs the second time.

Then, with a chill that shook him, he saw a second reptile move out from the shadows against the wall to his right. Another snake. In the candlelight it seemed like a black, shiny thick bull-whip that had suddenly become alive. The rattler stopped its progress toward the sheriff, turned at this new menace. Then, like a striking cat's paw, it started to slide away from the other snake.

The second snake started in pursuit. And the rattler, as if knowing it could never escape, turned suddenly, coiled and struck. The black head swayed aside and the rattler missed. Then Charley saw the newcomer turn into a streak of flashing speed as its fangs sank in behind the rattler's head, its coils whipping around and around the mottled body. Struggle as it might, the rattler could not break those coils.

And then Charley Rizdal heard the voice of his deputy speaking softly from outside.

"Hey, Charley, listen to me. This is Shorty. I was comin' back to the office to talk to you an' I saw the whole thing. I can see you now from a crack in the board here. I got an idea, Charley. Do what I tell you an' it'll work out. Start screechin' an' yellin' an' then give a couple groans. Keep it up for about a minute or so. Then slide over to the door an' when Culver opens it, rush him. Do what I tell you, Charley."

The sheriff, his eyes still riveted on the struggling reptiles, at first thought he was hearing the deputy's voice in a dream—perhaps some trick of his brain. But as Shorty continued talking, the lawman decided to take a wild chance and do as he was told.

He proceeded to go mad, yelling and screeching, putting as much terror in his voice as possible. Twice he yelled: "Culver, help, I'm dying."

After that Rizdal uttered a couple of deep groans. Then he slid silently to the door. Snake Culver's deep laughter struck at his ears.

"Got you, did he!" chuckled the outlaw. Rizdal decided to put the fluttering candle out. He could then see better the form of Culver silhouetted against the moonlight. This he did, plunging the room in blackness. Again he uttered a groan.

"Hey, Rizdal," the outlaw called. "Can you hear me?"

The sheriff didn't answer. Slowly he saw the door start to open. The dark form of the outlaw was silhouetted on the threshold. Then Charley Rizdal, with every ounce of strength he could muster, swung his fist. That blow glanced off Culver's head and knocked him staggering to the side.

The voice of Shorty now whooped, now yelled:

"I'm takin' the polecat, Charley."

And out of the shadows came the deputy, a heavy club in one hand. It whistled through the air and cracked on Snake Culver's head. He sank to the ground.

"Good work, Shorty," grunted Rizdal. "But why didn't you use your gun on him?"

"That's it," answered the deputy. "I was comin' back to get it. I left it in the drawer of the desk. When I saw Culver here take you out the back way, I went in to get my shootin' iron, but the desk drawer was locked. So was the closet that we have the scatter-guns in."

"Well, help me get the skunk into a cell, Shorty," ordered Rizdal now.

Ten minutes later the outlaw was safely behind bars. Shorty and the sheriff, seated in the office, paid no attention to his pleadings.

"What I want to know, Shorty," the Sheriff said, "is how come this king snake didn't come after me and help that rattler put an end to me?"

"Well, you see," answered the deputy hesitatingly, "I remembered how Snake Culver always killed his men with a rattlesnake. I figured that if a king snake could some way be kept around, we might figure a way to beat Snake at his own game. Thinkin' of it, I went over to Salt Flats to a gypsy camp where they have a snake-charmer. I bought a snake and brought him back in that box you threw out into the street.

"When I saw Culver, as I was about to step into the office, take you out back, I ducked around and waited. I heard everything he said and, at the right time, I loosed the king snake outta the box after the rattler. You see, Charley, a king snake and a rattler has always been enemies, and a king snake is known to always lick a rattler. He does it by crushing a rattler to death. I'm gonna corral that king snake and take him back to the gypsy camp. He deserves to live—after savin' your life."

Sheriff Rizdal, nodding, wiped his brow with a bandanna.

"You see," finished the deputy lamely, "it was just an idea that I had."

Rizdal smiled wearily.

"Shorty," he said, "after this you can depend on it that I'm sure gonna use any ideas you got, 'cause maybe there is something to that law of averages they talk about. If one don't work, another might."

PAUL REVERE

JR.



AND HIS FRIENDS BECOME INVOLVED IN THEIR MOST THRILLING ADVENTURES YET, WITH THE ARRIVAL OF AN ENGLISH LAD, RONALD--

CAPT. ANTHONY WESTON LEAVES HIS SON, RONALD, IN PAUL REVERE, SR.'S CARE IN THE LATTER'S NEWSPAPER OFFICE.

YOU'VE BEEN A GOOD FRIEND TO ME, REVERE, THAT'S WHY I WANT TO LEAVE RONALD IN YOUR CARE, WHILE I GO TO WASHINGTON.

GLAD TO HAVE YOU, RONALD.

THANK YOU, SIR.



AT THE AIRPORT THE R.A.F. CAPTAIN-INVENTOR EXPLAINS HIS MISSION TO HIS FRIEND.

THIS TRIP WILL FURTHER CEMENT THE BOND BETWEEN GREAT BRITAIN AND AMERICA. YOU SEE, WE'RE GOING TO POOL ALL THE MILITARY SECRETS WE'VE PERFECTED. YOU IN THE LABORATORY, AND WE, UNDER THE BLITZ!



THE CAPTAIN DEPARTS --

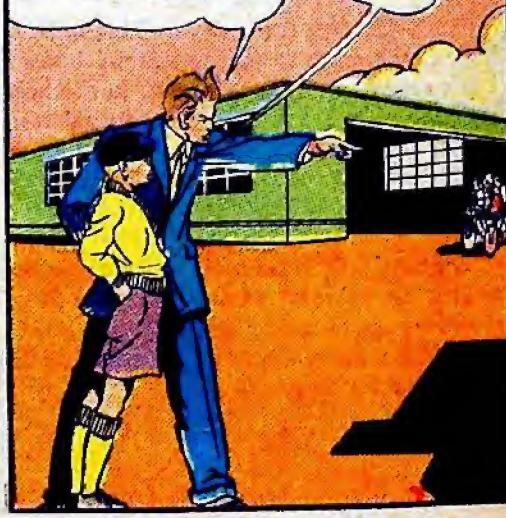
GOODBYE, PATER! GOOD LUCK!

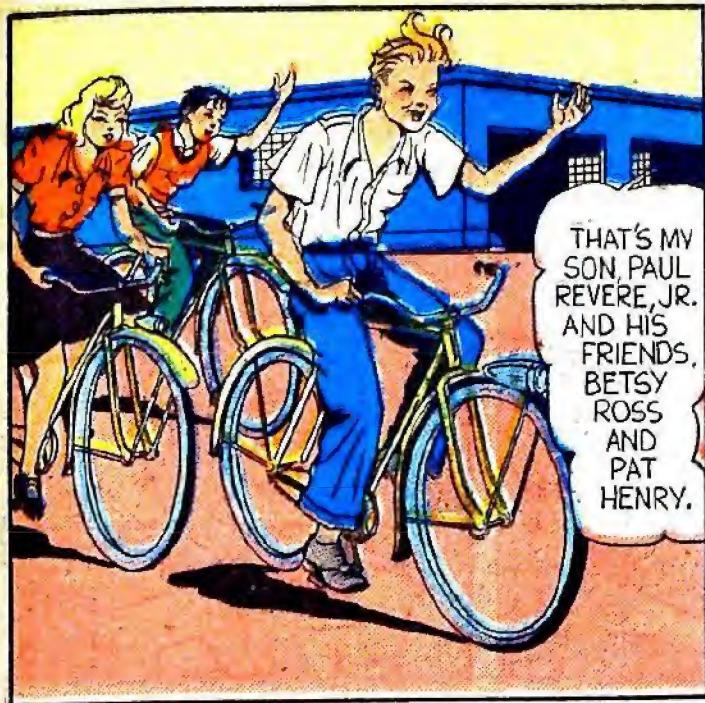
AND NOW, RONALD, I'M GOING TO INTRODUCE YOU TO MY SON PAUL REVERE, JR. AND HIS FRIENDS.



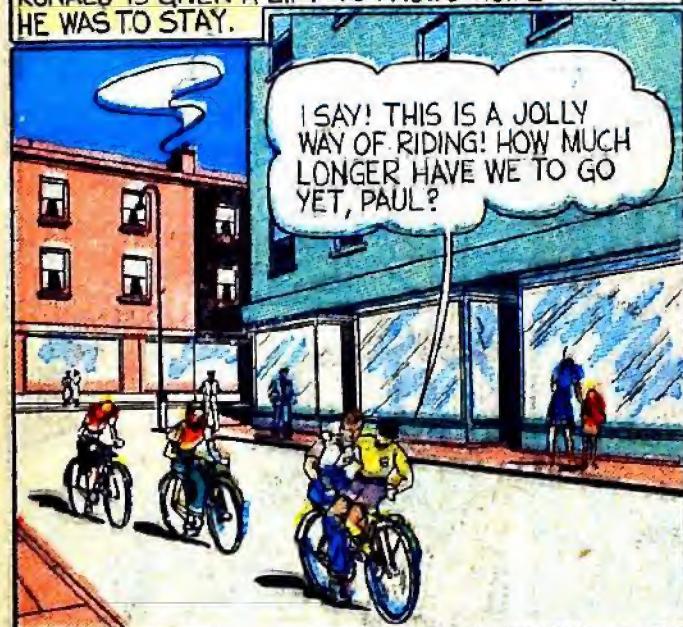
WHY THERE, THEY COME NOW! I TOLD THEM I'D MEET THEM HOME, BUT I SUPPOSE THEY DIDN'T WANT TO PUT OFF MEETING YOU.

THEY LOOK VERY JOLLY, SIR. WHAT ARE THEIR NAMES?

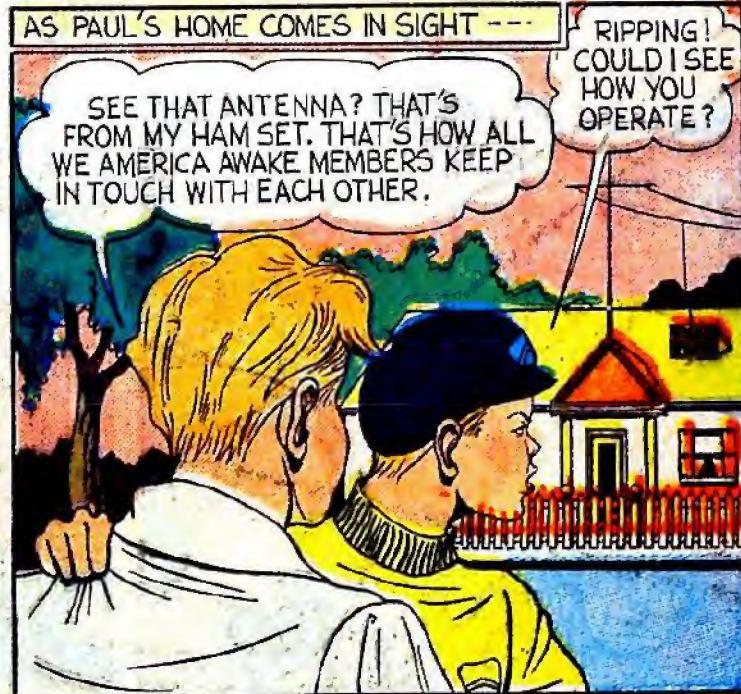




AFTER REVERE, SR. HAD TO LEAVE FOR HIS OFFICE, RONALD IS GIVEN A LIFT TO PAUL'S HOME WHERE HE WAS TO STAY.



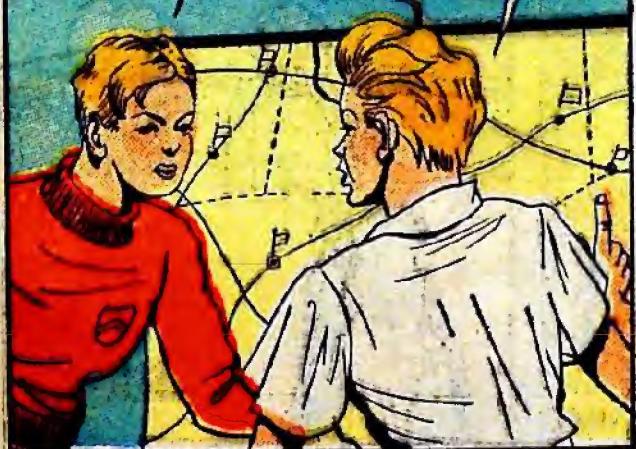
AS PAUL'S HOME COMES IN SIGHT --



IN PAUL'S ATTIC.

WHY HAVE YOU GOT ALL THOSE LITTLE FLAGS STUCK THERE IN THAT MAP?

EACH OF THOSE FLAGS REPRESENTS AN A.A. MEMBER AND HIS HAM SET. WE COVER A LOT OF TERRITORY. WATCH, I'LL SHOW YOU.

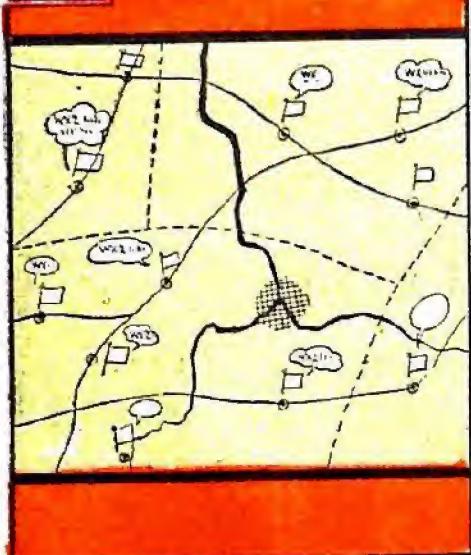


PAUL CONTACTS THE A.A. MEMBERS ON HIS HAM SET.

A.A. HEADQUARTERS CALLING ALL MEMBERS! STAND BY FOR SPECIAL MESSAGE!



ONE BY ONE THE A.A. MEMBERS
SIGNIFY THEIR CALL LETTERS
INDICATING THAT THEY ARE LISTEN-
ING.



PAUL GIVES THE HAM SET OVER
TO RONALD.

YOU'RE
ALL SET, AND PREPARED
TO SEND, RONALD, THE AIR
WAYS ARE
YOURS.

WELL,
THIS
IS
SOMETHING!

HELLO, AMERICAN BOYS AND
GIRLS, AS LONG AS WE OVER
THERE, KNOW YOU'RE BEHIND US
IN SPIRIT, IT'S EASIER FOR US TO
CARRY ON, WELL, CHEERIO!



BUT THE A.A. MEMBERS DON'T LET RONALD OFF
THE AIR UNTIL HE ANSWERS A LOT OF QUEST-
IONS THEY FIRE AT HIM ABOUT THE WAR AND
THE R.A.F...



AND NOW, WE'RE REALLY
BEGINNING TO -- AS YOU AMERICANS
SAY, DISH IT OUT TO THE NAZIS,
UNTIL THEY YELL, HOW DO
YOU SAY IT --
UNCLE!

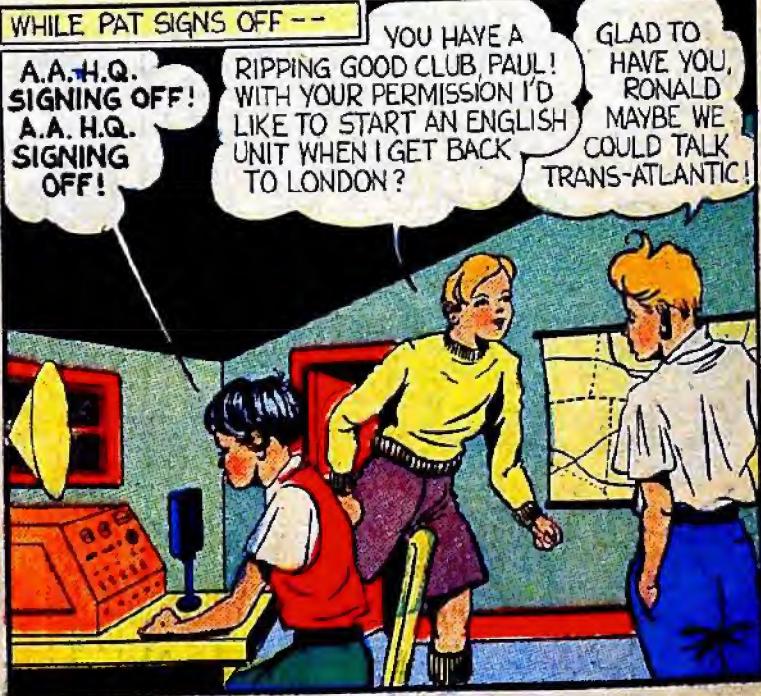


WHILE PAT SIGNS OFF --

A.A.H.Q.
SIGNING OFF!
A.A. H.Q.
SIGNING
OFF!

YOU HAVE A
RIPPING GOOD CLUB, PAUL!
WITH YOUR PERMISSION I'D
LIKE TO START AN ENGLISH
UNIT WHEN I GET BACK
TO LONDON?

GLAD TO
HAVE YOU,
RONALD
MAYBE WE
COULD TALK
TRANS-ATLANTIC!



MEANWHILE, IN A NEARBY CITY, TURBITZ, NAZI SABOTEUR, READS --

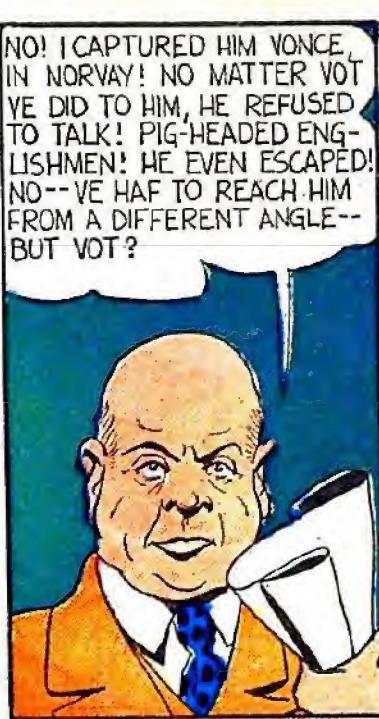
ACH! JUST THINK! VEN CAPT. ANTHONY WESTON RETURNS FROM WASHINGTON, HE VILL HAF NOT ONLY ENGLAND'S MILITARY SECRETS, BUT AMERICA'S AS VELL!

LET'S KIDNAP HIM! VE COULD TORTURE DER SECRETS OUT OF HIM.

NO! I CAPTURED HIM VONCE IN NORVAY! NO MATTER VOT VE DID TO HIM, HE REFUSED TO TALK! PIG-HEADED ENGLISHMEN! HE EVEN ESCAPED! NO--VE HAF TO REACH HIM FROM A DIFFERENT ANGLE--BUT VOT?

AT THAT MOMENT, TURBITZ'S WIRELESS OPERATOR, STATIONED AT A POWERFUL SHORT WAVE SET, EXCITEDLY ENTERS.

I HOPE IT ISN'T LIKE DOSE UDDER THINGS YOU HEARD, VICH TURNED OUT TO BE BOOGIE-WOOGIE MUSIC!



THE OPERATOR STARTS TO PLAY BACK THE RECORD OF WHAT THE POWERFUL SHORT WAVE SET HAD PICKED UP.

BELIEVE ME, HERR TURBITZ! I DON'T FEEL LIKE FIGHTING. I'M DOING MY DUTY. LISTEN!



AS THE RECORD IS PLAYED, TURBITZ HEARS --

WELL, CHEERIO, A.A. MEMBERS FROM RONALD WESTON. BETWEEN THE R.A.F. AND THE PLAIN PEOPLE WHO CAN TAKE IT, MR. HITLER ISN'T SLEEPING AS WELL AS HE USED TO.



AFTER THE RECORD PLAYS TO ITS END --

ARE YOU PLEASED, HERR TURBITZ?

PLEASED? DOT'S THE ANGLE VE'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR! LET'S SEE HOW STUBBORN CAPT. WESTON VILL BE MIT HIS MILITARY SECRETS VEN HE LEARNS DOT HIS SON IS IN OUR POWER!



TURBITZ AND THREE OF HIS GANG SPEED AWAY TO KIDNAP RONALD.

YAH! AND VEN VE HAF BOTH DER MILITARY SECRETS OF ENGLAND AND AMERICA, CHERMANY VILL CRUSH THE WORLD!

HERR TURBITZ -- YOU ARE A MASTERMIND!



MEANWHILE IN THE REVERE HOUSE, PAUL'S MOTHER PREPARES A PICNIC BASKET FOR PAUL'S FRIENDS.

I THINK YOU'LL FIND YOU COOK JUST EVERYTHING YOU LIKE IN HERE FOR YOUR PICNIC. MRS. REVERE MAKES ME FEEL AS IF SHE WAS HERE, NOT IN LONDON.

WE'D BETTER HURRY. PAT AND BETSY ARE WAITING OUTSIDE.



RONALD HAD MISTAKEN THE BACKFIRING FOR ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNFIRE.

YOU'RE IN AMERICA NOW. BUT DON'T FORGET RONALD WAS TRYING TO SHIELD US FROM HARM. SILLY OF ME. THOUGHT THE BLITZ WAS ON AGAIN!



AS RONALD AND PAUL GO OUTSIDE, AN AUTO BACKFIRES.



TAKE COVER! TAKE COVER!

WHAT THE--? RONALD?



PAUL LEADS THE WAY OUTSIDE TOWN.

Y'KNOW, IN ENGLAND, WE GO ON BIKING TOURS TOO. ONLY WE HAVE TO LOOK OUT FOR FRITZ. HE'LL EVEN BOMB A KIDDY CAR.



MEANWHILE, TURBITZ AND HIS NAZI KIDNAPPERS HAVE HALTED OUTSIDE OF PAUL'S TOWN.

VE MUSTN'T AROUSE SUSPICION, ISS STAYING MIT A PAUL REVERE. YY ARE VE STOP-INK, TURBITZ? TO GIFT US DER INFORMATION.



RIDING ON THE SAME ROAD, THE FOUR BICYCLISTS COME INTO VIEW.



PAUL AND HIS FRIENDS STOP WHEN TURBITZ QUESTIONS THEM.

AND WOULD YOU BE GOOD ENOUGH TO TELL ME WHERE THE REVERE HOUSE IS? YOU SEE I AM LOOKING FOR CAPT. WESTON'S SON THERE AND --

WHY, I'M PAUL REVERE, JR. HAVE AND THIS IS COME FROM WESTON. FATHER?

THE TWO NAZIS HASTILY TRY TO GET RONALD INTO THE CAR.

I'M SO GLAD TO HAVE FOUND YOU SO SOON! YOUR FATHER IS WAITING TO SEE YOU, BEFORE HE LEAVES ON A CONFIDENTIAL MISSION!

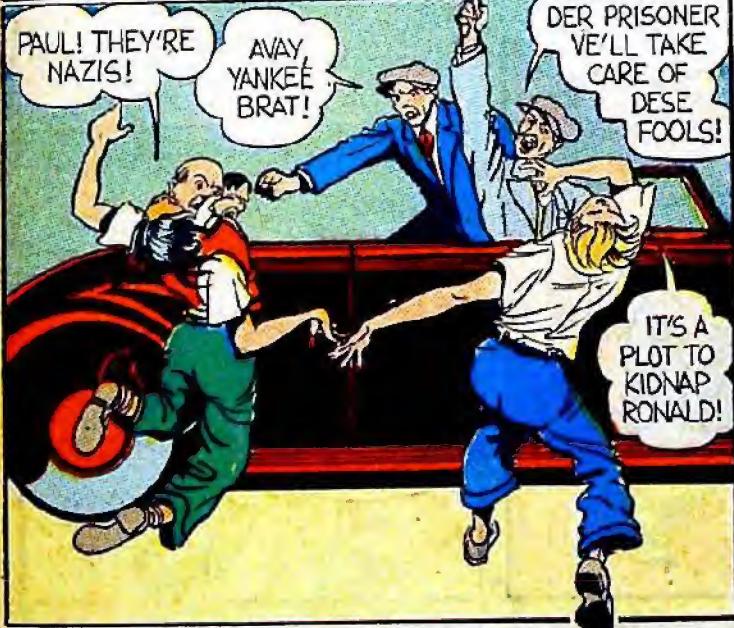
HURRY! HERR CAPTAIN IS YES, BUT-- ANXIOUS TO SEE YOU!

DUNTZ SAYING "HERR" CAPTAIN WESTON MAKES PAUL SUSPICIOUS.

WHERE ARE YOU TAKING RONALD? WHY WASN'T MY FATHER INFORMED OF THIS?



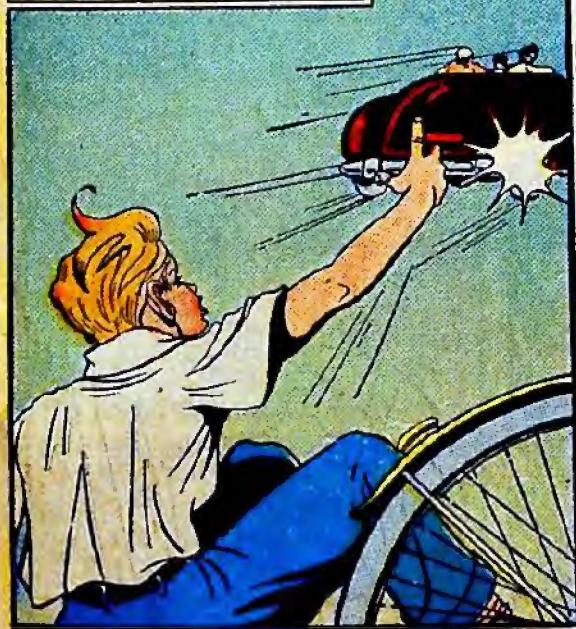
THE NAZIS IN THE FRONT SEAT GET PANICKY AND REVEAL THEIR TRUE IDENTITY.



AS PAUL IS SENT SPROUTING, HE SNATCHES A MILK BOTTLE FROM THE PICNIC BASKET.



AS THE NAZI CAR DEPARTS PAUL HURLS THE BOTTLE AFTER IT.



RONALD FIGHTS TO SPOIL THE NAZIS' AIM AS THEY FIRE AT HIS FRIENDS.



AS THE KIDNAP CAR SPEEDS AWAY--



PAUL'S FRIENDS HELP HIM TO HIS FEET.



AS THEY SHOVE THE GLASS OFF THE ROAD, PAUL SUDDENLY EXCLAIMS:



WHEN THE BOTTLE BROKE AGAINST THE TIRE, IT TORE A 'V' SHAPED SLASH IN IT! NOW, I'LL FOLLOW THEIR TRAIL WHILE YOU TWO HURRY BACK AND TELL MY FATHER WHAT HAPPENED!



WHILE PAT AND BETSY HURRY BACK TO TOWN, PAUL FOLLOWS THE CLEARLY MARKED TRAIL.



WHEN PAUL'S FATHER AND POLICEMEN ARRIVE THEY FIND HIM ON THE EDGE OF A CLIFF --



THEY MUST HAVE FOUND OUT THAT THEY WERE LEAVING A TRAIL BEHIND THEM, DAD, AND TRICKED US BY MAKING BELIEVE IT WENT OFF INTO THIN AIR.



WHATEVER HAPPENED TO THAT CAR, WE'VE GOT TO FIND IT! WE'LL ORGANIZE SEARCHING PARTIES IMMEDIATELY AND COMB THE ENTIRE AREA.



NO, PAUL. FINDING RONALD IS A MAN'S JOB. YOU KIDS GO HOME AND AWAIT DEVELOPMENTS THERE.

JUST AS YOU SAY, DAD--

THE THREE RETURN TO PAUL'S ATTIC.

THIS IS TERRIBLE! IF ONLY RONALD WERE ABLE TO GET WORD TO US.

TOO BAD HE ISN'T NEAR A WIRELESS.

WAIT! YOU'VE GIVEN ME A WONDERFUL IDEA! WHAT IF RONALD WAS NEAR A SET!

PAUL SIGNALS ALL THE AMERICA AWAKE MEMBERS --

EMERGENCY! RONALD HAS BEEN KIDNAPPED! MAY BE NEAR WIRELESS. KEEP CONTINUOUS WATCH IN CASE HE TRIES TO GET A MESSAGE THRU!

AS THE A.A.'S BEGIN THEIR VIGIL AT THE HAM SETS, THE PHONE RINGS IN PAUL'S HOUSE.



OH, IT'S YOU, CAPT. WESTON! YES. RONALD'S BEEN KIDNAPPED. BUT WE'LL GET HIM BACK SOMEHOW! BUT HOW DID YOU KNOW SO QUICKLY?



THE CAPTAIN ANSWERS FROM WASHINGTON.

I JUST GOT AN ANONYMOUS LETTER WARNING ME THAT UNLESS I WAS READY TO REVEAL THE MILITARY SECRETS I KNOW -- I WOULD NEVER SEE RONALD AGAIN!



WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO, CAPTAIN?

EVERY ENGLISHMAN HAS SWORN TO KEEP ON FIGHTING HITLERISM -- NO MATTER WHAT. AND RONALD'S AN ENGLISH BOY. I'M FLYING TO YOU IMMEDIATELY -- BUT I WILL NOT BETRAY MY TRUST. RONALD WOULDN'T WANT THAT!

AS PAUL RETURNS TO THE ATTIC WHERE BETSY AND PAT WERE ALTERNATING AT THE HAM SET --

WE'VE JUST GOT TO FIND RONALD!

PAUL! PAT! I'VE JUST GOT A CALL ABOUT RONALD!



BETSY RELAYS THE MESSAGE COMING IN FROM AN A.A. MEMBER IN A NEARBY TOWN.

AS MORE AND MORE A.A.'S REPORT HEARING RONALD'S VOICE, PAUL SPOTS THE PLACE WHERE THEY THOUGHT THE SIGNAL CAME FROM ON A MAP UNTIL ---

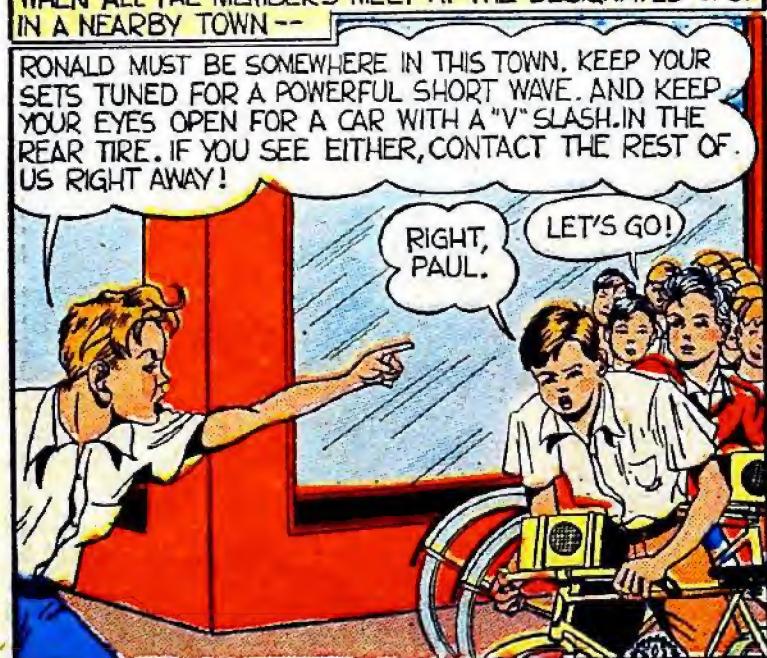
RONALD HEARD FOR JUST A SECOND -- SOUNDED AS IF HE WERE COMING OVER ON POWERFUL SHORT WAVE SET --



THERE! IT SEEMS PRETTY CERTAIN THAT RONALD MUST BE SOMEWHERE IN THAT AREA! BETSY! CONTACT ALL A.A. MEMBERS AND HAVE THEM ASSEMBLE AT THAT SPOT WITH PORTABLE SETS ON THEIR BICYCLES!

WHEN ALL THE MEMBERS MEET AT THE DESIGNATED SPOT IN A NEARBY TOWN --

RONALD MUST BE SOMEWHERE IN THIS TOWN. KEEP YOUR SETS TUNED FOR A POWERFUL SHORT WAVE. AND KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN FOR A CAR WITH A "V" SLASH IN THE REAR TIRE. IF YOU SEE EITHER, CONTACT THE REST OF US RIGHT AWAY!



AFTER HOURS OF CYCLING AROUND AND AROUND WITH NO SUCCESS --

OH BOY! THIS IS THE KIDNAP CAR! I'VE GOT TO CONTACT PAUL AND THE OTHERS RIGHT AWAY!



AFTER PAUL IS CONTACTED --

THAT'S THE KIDNAP CAR! I'M GETTING ALL RIGHT! LISTEN! WE'RE GETTING SHORT WAVE INTERFERENCE!

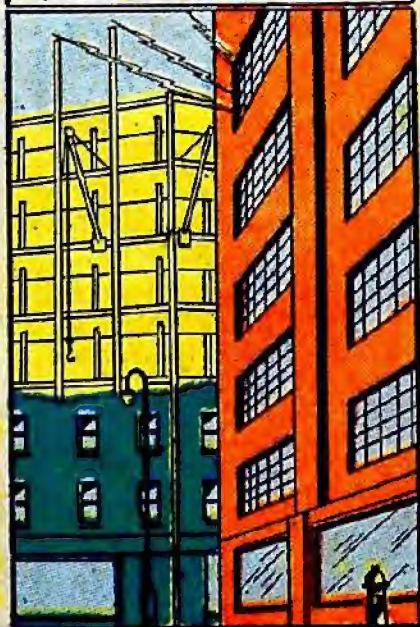
IT TOO ON MY SET!

ME TOO!

RONALD MUST BE RIGHT BEHIND US SOMEWHERE!



THE STATIC INTERFERENCE IS TRACED TO A LOFT NEARBY.



THREE NAZI GUARDS AT THE BUILDING'S ENTRANCE SPRING INTO ACTION WHEN THEY SPOT PAUL AND THE A.A.'S.

DOT'S THE BRAT THAT SAW US! QUICK! KIDNAP DER ENGLISH BOY! VE'LL SILENCE DER WHOLE BUNCH OF DEM!



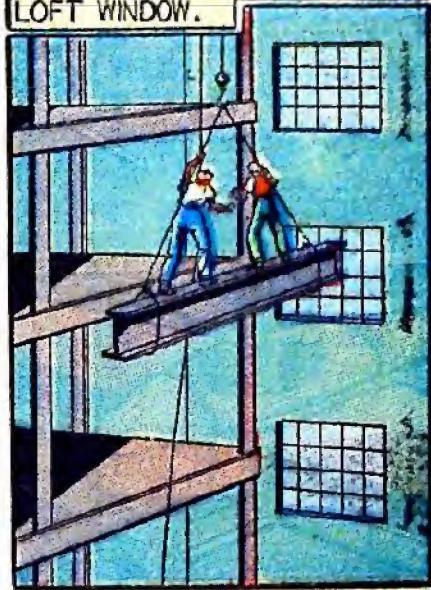
BUT THE NAZI GUARDS ARE OVERPOWERED BY THE A.A.'S TEAMWORK:



AFTER THE GUARDS HAD BEEN BOUND, PAUL EXPLAINS HIS IDEA TO RESCUE RONALD.

WE CAN'T GO UP TO THAT LOFT BY THE STAIRS THEY'LL PROBABLY SEE US COMING, AND HARM RONALD! JIMMY, YOUR FATHER WORKS IN THE DEFENSE PROGRAM. HE TAUGHT YOU HOW TO OPERATE THIS GIRDER LIFTER! YOU'RE GOING TO LIFT PAT AND ME NEXT TO THE LOFT WINDOW. THE REST OF YOU WAIT FOR A SIGNAL TO BREAK IN THROUGH THE DOOR.

WHILE THE A.A.'S WAIT TENSELY BELOW -- PAUL AND PAT RIDE THE STEEL GIRDER TOWARD THE LOFT WINDOW.



AS THE GIRDER STOPS ALONG SIDE THE LOFT WINDOW, THE BOYS SEE --

HE TRIED TO SEND A MESSAGE OFER DER SHORT WAVE SET. VEN I VASN'T LOOKINK!

EVIDENTLY NOBODY HEARD! YOU FELLOWS BUT JUST TO SHOW YOU VE HAVEN'T MEAN BUSINESS ENGLISH BRAT. MUCH BRAINS, I'M GOINK TO SHOOT YOU IN HAVE YOU? DER SHOULDER FOR A LESSON. DOT'S DER CHERMAN VAY. YOU'RE ALWAYS USING GUNS --



AT PAUL'S FRANTIC SIGNAL, JIMMY DOWNSTAIRS GETS EXCITED AND SENDS THE GIRDER HURTLING INTO THE LOFT WINDOW KNOCKING EVERYONE DOWN.



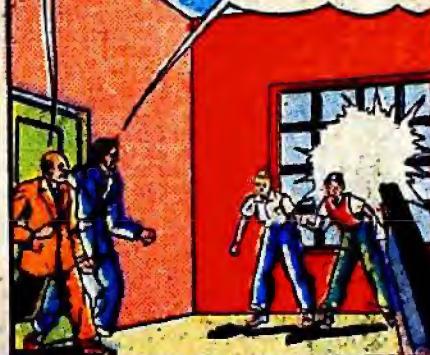
DOWNSTAIRS THE A.A.'S GRASP WHAT HAS HAPPENED.

THERE'S NO CHANCE OF SURPRISING THEM NOW! WE MUST HURRY UP AND HELP PAUL AND PAT!



BUT IN THE LOFT, TURBITZ QUICKLY RECOVERED HIMSELF AND --

VELL! YOU WISH TO PLAY DOT YOU ARE MEN FIGHTING AGAINST AGENTS OF DER REICH GOVERNMENT, EH? DEN BE PREPARED TO TAKE DER CONSEQUENCES VEN YOU LOSE! LET'S NOT VASTE ANY TIME! WE MAY BE DISCOVERED DEAD BOYS CAN'T TELL VOT HAP- PENED TO DEM!



JUST AS THE NAZI AGENTS SHOOT-- THE A.A.'S BURST THROUGH.

PAUL! GET RONALD OUT! WE'LL HOLD THE FORT!



PAUL AND RONALD ESCAPE TO THE ROOF, WITH NAZI GUARDS IN PURSUIT OF THEM--



THE ADVENT OF THE GUARDS LEAVES PAUL NO TIME TO USE THE CATAPULT DEVICE.



THE GLIDER IS CAUGHT IN A SLIGHT DOWNDRAFT.



THE GLIDER ALIGHTS ON TOP OF A POLICE CAR.



AFTER PAUL TELLS THE POLICEMEN ABOUT THE NAZIS, THEY RUSH TO THE LOFT BUILDING TO FIND THAT THE A.A.'S HAD ALREADY TAKEN CARE OF TURBITZ AND HIS MEN.



LATER--IN FRONT OF THE REVERE HOME.

WITH THE FUTURE OF AMERICA IN THE HANDS OF BOYS AND GIRLS LIKE THESE--THE WHOLE WORLD NEEDN'T WORRY! HURRAY FOR UNCLE SAM AND HIS NEPHEWS AND NIECES! HIP, HIP!



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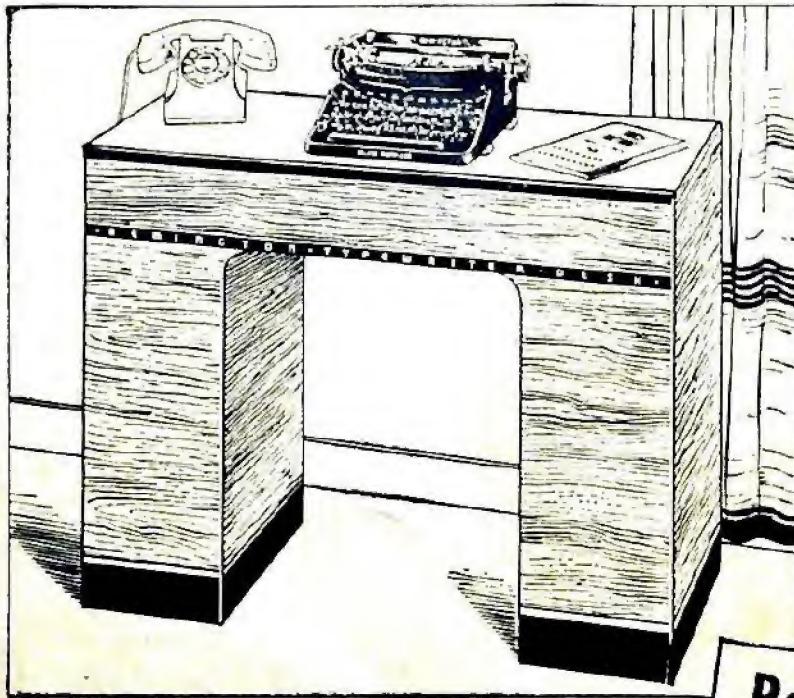
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